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## STATE HAPPENINGS

Of General and Local Interest as They Occur.

### Old War Claim Paid.

Florence, Ala.—T. L. Hewitt, a Florence contractor, has been notified that the United States government has allowed his claim for \$1,000, and that a draft for that amount will soon be forthcoming. G. Burrow, an uncle of Mr. Hewitt's, owned the plantation on Shoal Creek during the war, near which a troop of federal soldiers camped. The army appropriated for its own use all the hogs, cattle, feed provisions to be found on the place and the commanding officer, to solace his feelings, gave him a due bill for \$1,000.

After the close of the war Mr. Burrows presented the claim to the proper authorities, but was refused payment. The matter, however, was entered on the records of the war department.

A claim agent at Washington recently dug up the old claim and made an effort to locate Mr. Burrows. It was found that he had died many years ago and the money will be paid to T. L. Hewitt, his only surviving relative.

### Two Children Burned.

Gadsden, Ala.—The 4-year-old son of J. W. Stone was burned almost to death Saturday afternoon about 5 o'clock. The little fellow was playing around the fire when his clothing ignited and before help arrived was horribly burned on the body, besides inhaling the flames. Medical aid was summoned, but no hopes are entertained for the child's recovery.

Early Sunday morning the 4-year-old son of M. E. Jones, receiver of the Gadsden Waterworks Company, narrowly escaped being burned to death. The child reached up to the mantle for a match safe, when its clothing ignited from the grate. Mrs. Jones answered its screams and threw the boy in a blanket, smothering the flames, the child escaping unhurt. The clothing was burned from the knees down but the child was unharmed.

### Captures His Man.

Mobile, Ala.—Saturday at Bayou La Batre, in the lower end of Mobile county, thirty miles from this city, Inspector G. M. Shippy, of the Chicago police department, arrested Vincent Brisco on the charge of murder. The crime with which Brisco is charged is the willful shooting of Policeman Pat Duffy of Chicago on the night of May 1, 1902.

Will Riley, subsequently captured by the Chicago police, admitted that he was one of the men the policemen caught coming out of a residence, and was sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary. He turned state's evidence and said that Brisco fired the fatal shot. Since that time the officers have been looking for Brisco, whose whereabouts were discovered by Policeman Taylor, of this city, formerly a member of the Chicago force. Brisco served five years for burglary and since his residence at Bayou La Batre there have been many mysterious burglaries there. Shippy will leave with his prisoner Monday.

### Due the State \$412.50.

Montgomery, Ala.—A shortage of \$412.50 in solicitor's fees due the state was reported to the governor Saturday by Assistant State Examiner W. F. Wilkinson, who has just concluded his examination of Hale county officials' books.

The fees are due from former Circuit Clerk S. W. Walton and Sheriff G. W. Dugger.

In one account with the state a debt of \$337.50 of solicitor's fees is noted. In this account the defendants were convicted and in most instances the costs have not been settled.

### Postmasters Appointed.

Washington.—Postmasters appointed: Charity, Lowndes county, John F. Hattener, Jr.; Coleman, Crenshaw county, Kate Brown; Kaylor, Randolph county, James W. Moon.

### Truckage Will Be Killed.

Mobile, Ala.—The cold wave struck Mobile and the temperature has been falling ever since. A cold northwest wind has been blowing half a gale, with the result that the river has fallen between three and four feet and many vessels are aground in slips.

The thermometer registers 26 and is still falling. The weather bureau predicts a minimum of 12 degrees. All exposed truckage will be killed.

### Carried to Anniston.

Gadsden, Ala.—Sheriff Chandler and Deputy Sheriff John Lister have gone to Anniston having in custody Youlander Deggs, who confessed to the murder of Aubrey Womack, claiming self-defense, where she will be heard before Chancellor Whiteside for application for a writ of habeas corpus.

### Books to Be Examined.

Montgomery, Ala.—The books of Crenshaw county will be examined by one of the state examiners. Sheriff May has been absent some time, but there is no report of a shortage of his books. It is understood that of the amounts reported due, about \$3,000, by former Probate Judge Provell, of Marengo, will be paid at once. The state board of assessment will take up railroad and telegraph assessments February 1st.

### Two Highway Robberies.

Birmingham, Ala.—The police have received two reports of highway robberies. Walter Makin, traveling salesman for the Cumberland Mills, who lives at West End, a suburb, was held up by three men, who pointed pistols at him and relieved him of a gold watch and chain and 90 cents in money. Three men held up J. H. Williams and John McCraney, two barbers, who live at Rising, another suburb. Only 45 cents in money was taken from these men. The highway-men were very angry at not getting more money and roundly cursed the two barbers.

### Smallpox in Coffee.

Enterprise, Ala.—Dr. Sanders, the state health officer, was in Coffee county investigating the reports of smallpox, and advising the county board of health as to means and methods for keeping the disease under control. It is reported that there are a few cases of smallpox in Coffee county in and around Enterprise and Elba, and that there are a number of cases in the neighborhood of Ozark, in Dale county, and Geneva and Hartford, in Geneva county. Although it is a very mild type that affects this section of the state, the health authorities are putting into operation their plans and efforts to prevent the spreading of the disease.

### Killed in Front of Saloon.

Jacksonville, Fla.—Dennis Duke, of Anniston, son of Contractor J. H. Duke, shot and instantly killed George Hoke, colored, in front of John Ramagnano's saloon in this city Saturday night at 9 o'clock. The bullet penetrated the heart and death was instantaneous.

It seems that the trouble was started by a quarrel which Duke had with another negro inside the saloon. Hoke interfered, and it is stated was shot by Mr. Duke for interfering.

Duke is well known in this city and in Anniston.

### Bank Affairs to Be Settled Soon.

Anniston, Ala.—Mr. W. W. Stringfellow, assignee of the Bank of Anniston, has filed an application for settlement and the same will be acted upon February 2. Notices are being sent out to the creditors. If there be no exception filed on the day set for hearing, Register Holmes will order the property in hand distributed among the creditors. In the event of exceptions the matter will be carried before Chancellor Whiteside. The Bank of Anniston failed about five years ago.

### Bird Is Arrested.

Huntsville, Ala.—W. L. Bird, formerly of Louisiana, is under arrest on a charge of swindling a Huntsville law firm. He represented himself to be the agent for a bank of Belle Mina, Ala., in a suit against the Southern railway for \$5,000 damages and induced a Huntsville law firm to take the case. After this he is alleged to have borrowed money on a note and left. An investigation showed that there was no bank at Belle Mina. Bird was arrested in Decatur on request of Sheriff Rogers and brought here. He has letters alleged to have been written by attorneys in various cities of the country.

### Earthquake Felt at Gadsden.

Gadsden, Ala.—The people of Gadsden were rudely awakened about 10:20 o'clock Saturday night with a distinct earthquake shock which shook houses, rattled windows and doors, broke up glassware and frightened the superstitious. The shock was also felt in Attalla.

### Miner Badly Hurt.

Garnsey, Ala.—Pete Thompson, a white miner employed at the Galloway mines at Garnsey met with a serious accident Saturday morning. His back was broken by falling slate. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital for treatment. Mr. White is 45 years of age and has a wife and two children.

### Grain Mill and Elevator.

Montgomery, Ala.—The National Colonial Company will erect a grain mill here with a capacity of 3,000 bushels a day and a 15,000 bushel elevator. It will cost \$35,000.

### Syndicate Secures Gold Field.

Mobile, Ala.—News reached here that the Chambers syndicate of New York has acquired at a cost of \$125,000 concessions in the gold fields of Spanish Honduras from Major E. A. Burke, alleged defaulting state treasurer of Louisiana, which they propose to develop immediately. The concessions are in the Oulan district, six leagues from Tegougalpa, and are regarded as part of the finest of Major Burke's possessions. Three expert engineers and assayers had just arrived at Puerto Cortez and will begin work at once.

### Grand Jury Report.

Selma, Ala.—The grand jury made its final report to the city court Friday afternoon, returning eighty-four true bills.

### Russian Officer Is Shot.

Batoum—Prince Gurieli, an officer of the police guard, while driving past the iron works, was shot and killed this morning by an unknown. No arrests have been made.

### Boy Is Fatally Shot.

Pine Apple, Ala.—Saturday while out hunting Herbert, son of Mr. Walker Luckie, of Sybil, Ala., was accidentally shot and is dead. He was about 18 years old.

## MASSING TROOPS.

The Russians are Bombarding the Japanese—65,000 Troops on Left.

### CONTINUED ATTACKS MADE.

Steamers Carrying 2,000 Russian Refugees from Che Foo Have Departed for Odessa.

Tokio.—The Russians are massing about 65,000 troops on the Japanese left and bombarding the left flank and center. Small forces of Russians are attacking along the line.

Manchurian headquarters of the Japanese army report that on Saturday the Russians occasionally bombarded the right and center armies, following up the bombardment with attacks, which the Japanese immediately repulsed. In the direction of the left wing a Japanese detachment were victors at Chenchieppao, and occupied Lintiao and Lichawopeng on Saturday, the Russians retreating north and west. The Japanese occupied many of the positions southeast of Heikoutai on Saturday, and are now assaulting the main positions.

Another detachment dislodged a regiment of infantry, a brigade of cavalry and twelve guns occupying Hairpao, five miles south of Heikoutai. The Russian strength opposing the Japanese left flank is roughly estimated at eight corps, consisting of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth infantry divisions, the Second and Fifth brigades of European rifles, the Ninth infantry division of the Tenth corps, part of the Twenty-first infantry division, part of the First Siberian corps, and the First and Ninth brigade of rifles.

Russian Refugees Depart. Che Foo, January 29.—Three steamers carrying 2,000 Russian refugees left here today for Odessa. Two junks, the vanguard of twenty-five which left Port Arthur January 27th, arrived here today. The coldest weather of the season was experienced during the trip, and a majority of the women and children aboard were nearly frozen.

Mistchenko Is Injured. St. Petersburg.—A telegram from Huan mountain states that General Mistchenko has been wounded in the leg.

Vladivostok Isolated. London.—According to a Tokio dispatch to the Daily Telegraph, Russian supplies from the interior are concentrated at Lake Baikal owing to the fact that the railroad east of that point is blocked with snow. Vladivostok is now isolated on the land side, as well as the sea front.

Bombardment Is Severe. General Oku's Headquarters.—The Russian bombardment beginning at dawn on the extreme left rapidly spread along the whole front of Oku's army. It was kept up fiercely all day, and it was the strongest artillery fire since the battle of the Shakhe river. Salvos are being fired continuously. There also is considerable musketry firing.

The Japanese are replying seldom, and are saving their fire, awaiting an attack. There is a possibility that the entire line will be engaged soon.

### Drank Chloral Hydrate.

St. Louis, Mo.—After writing a note explaining that he would take his life because he was weak for want of food, Robert Bowen, 35 years of age, a metal polisher, drank chloral hydrate in his room. He had been dead several hours when found today. In the note Bowen asked that his wife and relatives in Tennessee be notified of his death. Bowen left \$2,000 life insurance in the A. U. of W.

### Free for All Fight at Circus.

Franklin, La.—During a circus performance at Baldwin, La., Saturday night, a free for all fight occurred between some of the audience and the performers. About twenty shots were fired. Charles Peterson, of Franklin, was killed, and Martin Ashley, of Baldwin, probably fatally injured.

### Big Ware House to Be Built.

Columbus, Ga.—Plans are out for a big ware house to be constructed in the eastern part of the city by the Dan Joseph company. It will be 70 by 220 feet, two stories high and a basement.

### Operated Gold Mine Swindles.

Houston, Tex.—Frank C. Lorry, alleged to have secured more than \$125,000 on gold mine swindles while having headquarters at Danville, Ill., was arrested here today and turned over to Hardy H. Whitlock, sheriff of Vermillion county, Illinois, who held warrants and requisition papers. Lorry has been at Galveston for some time past as a solicitor of insurance.

### Naugher Captured.

Gadsden, Ala.—Word was received Friday at the sheriff's office from Birmingham that the sheriff of Jefferson county had captured Kit Naugher and had him in jail awaiting officer from Etowah. Naugher is wanted here on several charges, the last one being for the larceny of a \$75 shotgun from a friend here, which he pawned for \$4.50 and then skipped the town. An officer will go down after him.

### Italian Blown to Atoms.

Pittsburg, Pa.—An explosion of dynamite at the Shoenberger plant of the American Steel and Wire Company, a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corporation, brought painful injuries to forty persons, temporarily disabled fifteen residences and broke at least 2,500 windows.

In a shed near the plant the company had 300 pounds of dynamite stored to be used as required in the breaking up of the large ore piles. A few moments before the explosion, it is said, an Italian was seen to enter the shed. The only remnants found of him were portions of the trousers, vest and shirt hanging to telegraph wires in the vicinity.

Fifteen of the houses in the neighborhood were rendered untenable. When the wounded people, men, women and children, mostly foreigners, rushed from their homes into the streets, pandemonium reigned for a time, and wild reports of many dead and dying were circulated.

### Cane Growers' Meet.

Montgomery, Ala.—The third annual convention of the Interstate Sugar-cane Growers met here, with more than one hundred delegates in attendance. Acting Governor Cunningham welcomed the delegates to the state and city, and response was made by Colonel John Dymond, managing editor of the Louisiana Planter of New Orleans.

At the afternoon session President D. G. Purse, of Savannah, delivered his annual address, and papers were read on various questions pertaining to the growth of sugarcane and the manufacture of its products.

### A Serious Accident.

Athens, Ala.—Ollie McGrew, a young white man hailing from Elkmont, in the northern part of this county, met with a serious and what might have been a fatal accident while beating his way on a freight train, which passed through Athens this forenoon.

He had intended getting off the train here, and the train not coming to a stop he attempted to swing off, and as a result he lost the part of one foot and received serious bruises about the head. He was quickly discovered and his condition being serious, he was given prompt medical attention by the railroad surgeon here. He does not blame the company for the accident.

### Will Build Greenhouses.

Florence, Ala.—William Zimmerman has purchased several lots in the Simpson addition in East Florence, on which he will build green houses and cultivate flowers. The people of Florence have been compelled heretofore to order their cut flowers from Nashville and the establishment of a green house here will fill a long felt want. Florence is becoming noted as a home for fine chickens, many orders coming in to local chicken fanciers from the adjacent country. This week a pen of Barred Plymouth Rocks was shipped to a party in Pennsylvania.

### LOCKWOOD BUYS RACERS.

Lexington, Ky.—W. B. E. Lockwood, of Norwalk, Conn., has purchased of John E. Madden, two fillies by Top Gallant and Imp Sarngingham, respectively, for \$10,000. The Top Gallant filly is out of Black Whirlwind and the other out of Bremen, dam of Chancellor. Both are entered in the future.

### Repairing the Church.

Athens, Ala.—The Christian church which was seriously injured by fire some time ago is being rapidly repaired, and when complete will be quite handsome. It was insured, but the company refused to pay the full face of the policy or to put the building in as good repair as it was prior to the fire. It was a handsome little house of worship, a monument to the struggles of a few zealous members.

### Citrus Fruit Suffered.

Jacksonville, Fla.—It is believed that the freeze in Florida destroyed all citrus fruits on trees excepting in the extreme southern part of the state, the total being placed at 300,000 boxes, possibly more. Grave fears are entertained that trees in the Jacksonville section are injured, if not killed.

### Eleven Injured by Drum Explosion.

Wellsville, O.—Eleven men were injured, two of them very seriously, as a result of the explosion of an air drum in the shops of the Cleveland and Pittsburgh railroad here. The building was partially wrecked.

### Cruiser Goes to San Domingo.

New Orleans, La.—The United States cruiser Columbia sailed Friday for San Domingo.

### Big Cotton Mill Burning.

London.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg, timed 9:25 p. m., to a news agency, reports that Pahls factory and a large cotton mill have been set on fire and are burning fiercely.

### New Abstract Company.

Linden, Ala.—The Marengo Abstract Company, located at Linden, with a capital stock of \$50,000, filed notice of its incorporation. The incorporators are E. E. Taylor, R. H. Powell, Henry McDaniel and Garland Kerven.

### Go to Join Governor Jelks.

Montgomery, Ala.—Mrs. Jelks and Miss Catherine Jelks were here Friday en route to Las Vegas, N. M., to join Governor Jelks.

### Lessening Orders for Fertilizers.

Nashville, Tenn.—According to statistics prepared for railroads entering Nashville, the largest fertilizer producing point in the country shipments of that product will show a falling off of from 30 to 40 per cent. compared with last season. The fertilizer situation in other districts is said to be equally as bad. The low price of cotton is said to be the cause. Dealers have cancelled orders from several cotton districts, and practically no cotton or tobacco will be planted this year.

### Recruiting Station Moved.

Huntsville, Ala.—Lieutenant E. W. Cole, of the United States navy, arrived here from Atlanta and closed the naval recruiting station that was established here a short time ago and the recruiting officers went to Aniston, where they will remain a few days.

### In Jail in Murder.

Birmingham, Ala.—Ed Johnston, a negro, is in the Jefferson county jail charged with murdering Miss Bessie Bloodworth, the daughter of a prominent merchant of New Decatur, last Saturday night. Johnston denies his guilt, but circumstances are said to point towards his guilt.

### Fire in Montevallo.

Montevallo, Ala.—Considerable excitement was caused by the catching fire of the house of the Rev. Mr. Wheeler. The house caught in the kitchen from a defective flue, and a large hole was burned in the wall before the fire could be extinguished. Owing to the high wind and the lack of fire engine here it was feared for a time that the entire house would burn.

### Young People Are Skating.

Huntsville, Ala.—Huntsville young people have been enjoying for the past several days a comparatively novel sport, that of ice skating. Neighborhood ponds are covered by the ice three or four inches thick and large crowds have visited them every day.

### Woman Killed.

Prattville, Ala.—Saturday night Chas. Scott shot and killed Shrub Smith at her home here. The murder is thought to be cold-blooded. Scott made his escape. Each are negroes.

### Vessel in Distress.

Mobile, Ala.—The schooner "Traide" previously reported spoken fifty miles off Swan Island, with a cargo of coconuts, dismasted, has proved to be the schooner Atrato, Captain Watt, which sailed from Colon, December 1, for San Blas coast, thence to New York with a cargo of coconuts. She is reported here to have arrived at Porto Barrios in distress.

### Wrong Use of Mails.

Jasper, Ala.—Charged with using the mails for fraudulent purposes, Morgan M. Nutt, a former well-known merchant, has been arraigned before a United States commissioner. He made bond in the sum of \$500.

### Marengo Corporations.

Demopolis, Ala.—The Demopolis Foundry and Machine Co. gave notice to Secretary of State E. R. McDavid of its incorporation recently with a capital stock of \$50,000.

This company will engage in the manufacture of models of brass, wood and iron and do general repair work. The incorporators are A. R. Smith, L. W. Spaulding and W. M. Spencer.

### Treated for Broken Back.

Louisville, Ky.—For the next month H. L. Smith, a young man of Bertha, Ky., will hang suspended by straps in an upright position in a hospital here as part of the treatment he is to undergo for a broken back. Smith was injured in the coal mines at Bertha. His back was broken at the second dorsal vertebrae, an injury that in 99 per cent. of cases proves fatal. The operation is known as lincinetomy. He will be suspended from a frame structure by means of straps arranged under the arms. Weights will be fastened to his feet in order to keep his body in the desired position.

### Wreck in Tennessee.

Nashville, Tenn.—Southern passenger train No. 3 and northern freight train No. 14 came together at midnight in the suburbs of Tullahoma, Tenn., with a crash that awoke many residents of the town. The two engineers and one fireman and colored porter are known to be dead or fatally injured, their bodies being in the wreckage.

The accident is one of the most serious that ever happened on the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad. No passengers were seriously hurt, so far as known.

### Gomez Building Burned.

Havana, Cuba.—The Gomez building, a one-story structure occupying a square facing Central Park, and containing retail shops and cafes, was gutted by fire. The losses total about \$100,000. Half insured.

### Crossed Andes in Auto.

Santiago de Chile.—An automobile has just crossed the Andes at an elevation of 25,000 feet above the sea level.

### Will Build a \$15,000 Dormitory.

Jackson, Miss.—The trustees of the Baptist orphanage here have determined to build a fifteen thousand dollar dormitory and to replace the one that was destroyed by fire several weeks ago.

## WORST BLIZZARD IN YEARS

Severe Snow and Wind Storm Sweeps Atlantic Coast.

### NEW YORK CITY BADLY TIED UP

Railroad Trains Stalled on Nearly Every Line Running Into the Metropolis. Vessels Put Into Harbors All Along the Shore From Maine to Hampton Roads, Va.

New York City.—What all records prove to be the severest winter storm that ever swept over the Atlantic seaboard—that is, the most extensive ever known in the territory affected and the damage done—reached the end of its fury in the vicinity of New York City at 8 o'clock at night, and was followed immediately by a rapid fall in temperature, which at midnight was seven degrees above zero. The snowfall and the high winds, blowing from the northwest and then from the north, covered thousands of square miles, from beyond the great lakes to the ocean, and extending to the New England coast and the interior. New York City and its vicinity came in for the most furious swing of the storm's lash. So great was the snowfall and so high were piled the drifts that that city practically was isolated from outside communication by rail. The New York Central Railroad, with the exception of three local trains to White Plains, was tied up completely. The famous Twentieth Century, drawn by one of the most powerful engines in the world, was stalled at Irvington on the Hudson.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford was in the same condition as the Central. Not a wheel was turned on the Long Island Railroad. It was the most complete tie-up of that system on both its north and south branches ever known. The blocking was so complete that a mild famine in New York became imminent. The Pennsylvania, the Erie, the Jersey Central and the Lackawanna roads, while a little more fortunate than the roads whose tracks were covered with mountains of snow in New York State were hampered, and all their time schedules were disarranged greatly.

The entire coast line, from Hampton Roads north to the bleak shores of Maine, has been devastated. The crew of a schooner had a thrilling escape. Two British steamers were driven ashore in Chesapeake Bay. The wind was blowing at the rate of seventy-two miles an hour off Cape Cod, and hundreds of craft were in peril. All harbors from the Delaware capes to Portland were filled with storm-borne drifts. The storm extended inland through Maine, where the mercury fell to a point lower than is remembered in twenty years.

On the Jersey coast the intense cold and the blinding, cutting snow made it impossible for the life-saving guards to make their regular patrol, so that grave concern was felt for the safety of a score of craft that might have lost their bearings in the great white pall, which spread far out to sea and closed them in.

### HONDURAN REVOLT.

Advices to Mobile Indicate Danger in Puerto Cortez.

Mobile, Ala.—Advices received here by the steamer Espana, from Puerto Cortez, Honduras, and other portions of Spanish Honduras. The Government at Tegougalpa has taken steps to forestall an outbreak. The revolution is of an internal nature, and trouble was feared. At Puerto Cortez natives continuously engaged in revolutionary talk, and it was the impression of many persons that they were organizing for a revolt against the Government in the near future. Secretary of War Barooah, a week ago, issued an edict requiring all persons, of whatever nationality, leaving the country to secure a permit from his department. When the steamer Espana left the port of Cortez the order had been somewhat modified, in that Commander Bulnes had authority to issue the passports.

### GRIEF KILLS A RUSSIAN.

Didn't Hear From His Family in St. Petersburg and Feared the Worst.

Philadelphia, Pa.—The revolt in Russia so preyed on the mind of Joseph Kochenski, thirty-four years old, of 2566 Salmon street, as to undermine his health and cause his death. Kochenski's wife and child are in St. Petersburg, and up to two months ago he heard from them regularly. Reading the newspapers of the shooting down of women and children by the Czar's soldiers in the streets of St. Petersburg, coupled with the unfavorable of his usual letters, increased his fears for their safety. At the Coroner's inquest the tale of the young man's misery was told by fellow workmen.

### WITHDRAWING PART OF ARMY.

Rome Hears That Some of Kuropatkin's Force is Being Sent Back.

Rome, Italy.—A telegram received from Mukden said it was believed that some of General Kuropatkin's best troops have been withdrawn and were now on their way to European Russia, to be used in suppressing the revolution that was believed to be impending.

Judge Thomas, of New York City, quashed the indictment against former Inspector of Bolders John W. Fleming in connection with the Slocum disaster. A similar motion in behalf of Henry Lundberg, Assistant Inspector of Hulls, was denied.

### Sentenced For Bribery.

William Duke, said to have sold appointments and promotions in the New York City Fire, Police and Health Departments, was sentenced to six months in prison and fined \$500.

### SEA SICKNESS KILLS TEN

Forty Other Passengers on the Vaderland in Hospital.

Steamship Arrives in New York City From Antwerp With Sad Tale of Losses on Her Trip.

New York City.—Ten persons died from seasickness during the voyage of the Red Star liner Vaderland, from Antwerp to this port, according to the statement of Dr. Waerserger, the ship's surgeon, which is supported by the stories of the passengers.

Forty more persons were so overcome by the rolling and pitching of the ship that they had to be removed to the steamer hospital. They responded to treatment, but but one was left in hospital when the vessel came in. He was able to walk ashore at Ellis Island. All who died were men—Hungarian steerage passengers, and all from the same province.

"Persons can die from seasickness," said Dr. Waerserger. "While these men technically died from congestion of the lungs, they really were the victims of seasickness. If we had made the trip in fair weather none of these persons would have died."

Only two bodies were brought to the port, the rest being buried at sea either at midnight or at 4 o'clock in the morning. Relatives were invited to witness the ceremony, but in no case did any one accept, and the officers and men attended to the simple rites of sea burial observed in every case, a prayer being recited before the body was allowed to plunge over the rail.

None of the cabin passengers, it was stated, had left their beds to witness the mournful scenes. The ship carried 955 steerage passengers, and those who died were quartered in the forward part of the vessel, where the motion was most severe. Those who succumbed were ill but a very short time as a rule. The fatal effect of the malady, according to the ship's officers and the doctor, was due to the half-starved condition in which the victims had left their native country. In spite of all the aids that medical science could bring to them they had not vitality enough to pull through.

Despite the very unusual death rate, there was very little alarm, according to the officers and cabin passengers, shown by the more fortunate of the steerage passengers, who did not suffer.

Among the passengers on the Vaderland were two physicians, and they aided the ship's surgeon, Dr. C. Waerserger, in every possible way. They frequently held consultations with him, and gave him their professional advice freely, in the interests of the whole voyage. Just before leaving Antwerp they



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ana, Ala., as second-class mail matter  
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Alabama will have three execu-  
tive committees in the farmers  
organization.

The resolutions of that great  
New Orleans convention should be  
carried out to a "ty."

The farmers should keep in  
touch with the proceedings of the  
conventions of the cotton growers.

The cotton States have consoli-  
dated on the question of organiz-  
ing and holding cotton for a better  
price.

Newspaper reports say terrible  
blizzards have visited many of our  
northern States during the last  
few days. It don't take newspa-  
per reports to find that out down  
here.

Government ownership of public  
utilities is fast gaining ground in  
the minds of the people. It was  
once called an old fogie idea, but  
a lot of those old "fogie" ideas  
are coming to the front.

The Louisville minister who  
swallowed a steel drill one and one-  
half inches long, while in a dentist  
chair, does not desire that his  
name be made public on account  
of the unpleasant notoriety. With-  
out reflection upon the reverend  
gentleman, it seems to us that he  
and the doctor and the dentist are  
the only one who should be espe-  
cially interested—though, it does  
sound like a very rare occurrence.

The State Examiner has gone to  
Louverne where he will examine  
and make report on the books of  
Sheriff May of Crenshaw county.  
It seems that Sheriff May has mys-  
teriously disappeared, leaving that  
place on January 13th and has  
not since been heard of. Various  
reports are connected with his ab-  
sence; some to the effect that he is  
in Texas, some that he is at Hot  
Springs, Ark., and some that he  
had sailed from New Orleans to  
South America. Perhaps he has  
just turned over a new leaf at the  
beginning of the new year.

When the presidential electors of  
Tennessee met to cast their ballots  
for Parker, they all seemed to be  
in a bad humor. After the formal-  
ities were gone through with, they  
held another "electoral college"  
and voted for Bryan for president  
next time. That performance led  
the Charleston News and Courier  
to explain, "It would have been  
better for the democratic party  
if Bryan had never been born." All  
of which goes to show that  
"harmony" in the democratic par-  
ty even in the South is still a long  
ways off.—Nebraska Independent.

In this issue of the Advocate we  
publish a synopsis of the proceed-  
ings of the Cotton Growers con-  
vention at New Orleans. Doubtless  
some of these proceedings will ap-  
pear on the outside of our paper  
also, but for fear it will not, we  
publish the sketches which we  
think of most interest to our peo-  
ple. It is well enough to say, how-  
ever, that it was the prevailing  
idea of this great meeting, that  
the acreage should be reduced 25  
per cent, and the purchase of fer-  
tilizers the same, on which points  
strong resolutions were unanimou-  
sly passed.

The editor of The Independent  
is constantly receiving letters ur-  
ging that a conference be held by  
Populists to outline a plan for fu-  
ture work, and he is urged to call  
such a conference through this pa-  
per. Let the Populists in the va-  
rious parts of the country get up  
a paper requesting such a confer-  
ence and send the names to The  
Independent and we will see what  
can be done.—Nebraska Independent.

We believe the Populist over in  
old Alabama are waxing warm for  
the affray and that it will only  
take a short time to furnish The  
Independent with a large list, ask-  
ing that this conference be held.  
Lots of Populist in Alabama are  
anxious for a re-organization and  
a revival.

## HARMONY AT CONVENTION.

Commissioner Poole Addresses  
Delegates at New Orleans.

New Orleans, January 26.—With  
the unanimous adoption of the  
plan reported by its committee for  
a permanent organization, headed  
by Harvie Jordan, of Georgia as  
President, and S. S. Peters of Tex-  
as as Vice-President, the Southern  
Inter-State Cotton convention fin-  
ally closed its successful three-day  
session tonight. Throughout the  
meeting there had been a hard  
struggle in committee for ascend-  
ency between the friends of Jordan  
and those of Peters in the perma-  
nent association, but all differ-  
ences were finally reconciled and  
a unanimous report was presented  
to the convention. The feature of  
the afternoon was the defeat of the  
modified Waco warehouse plan  
which had been reported by a ma-  
jority of the committee. A com-  
mittee of three was named to con-  
fer with the President in the mat-  
ter of the enlargement of the cot-  
ton trade.

President Jordan again presided  
over the convention at the fore-  
noon session. Commissioner of Agri-  
culture R. R. Poole of Alabama,  
as chairman, presented the report  
of the committee of statistics. It  
suggested that every state com-  
missioner place himself in posi-  
tion to secure a complete return of  
all gins operated in his state, and  
for the entire number of bales gin-  
ned of the crop of 1904 and 1905,  
and be in a position to furnish this  
information twice a month during  
September, October, November and  
December, 1905, and monthly to  
March inclusive. The committee  
approved the methods of the Na-  
tional Ginners' association as the  
quickest and most feasible way of  
getting out reports. The state leg-  
islatures are asked to make ample  
provision to enable their commis-  
sioners to carry out these ideas.

Former Senator John Lowndes  
McLaurin of South Carolina pre-  
sented the report of the committee  
on resolutions, heartily approving  
the reduction of acreage and fer-  
tilizers and urging "all owners of  
cotton to hold it until the govern-  
ment report on acreage shows to  
the world that southern cotton  
farmers stand solidly together;  
that they have complied with their  
agreement and demand the value  
of their product."

A number of addresses were de-  
livered at the forenoon session.  
Commissioner R. R. Poole of Mont-  
gomery, Ala., president of the As-  
sociation of Southern Commission-  
ers of Agriculture, discussed "The  
Gathering of Cotton Statistics by  
Southern Commissioners of Agri-  
culture."

Mr. Poole said:

"Gentlemen of the Convention—  
The part you have assigned to me  
in your deliberations today, to lead  
in the discussion of the "Gather-  
ing of Cotton Statistics by South-  
ern Commissioners of Agriculture" is  
the most important and valuable  
subject which you will be called  
upon to consider. The gather-  
ing of statistics has been found to  
be a most important figure in fix-  
ing the price and influencing the  
marketing of the staple, and it  
should be our chief aim and pur-  
pose to so conduct it, with the ut-  
most reliability and absolute cor-  
rectness, as to place at a minimum  
the question of its accuracy and  
trustworthiness.

"How to obtain this result is a  
problem for us to solve. There is  
not a Commissioner of Agriculture  
in all this vast country of ours,  
who I dare say, has not been great-  
ly concerned as to how he would  
gather statistics of the growing  
crop and of the yield, that he would  
endorse as perfectly correct and  
truthful. We must take it for  
granted that the heads of the agri-  
cultural departments of the va-  
rious states, are not only experi-  
enced and successful farmers, but  
are also men of more than ordi-  
nary intelligence and who have a  
wide acquaintance within and  
throughout the bounds of their re-  
spective states. Most of us who  
go through a primary election to  
secure a party nomination, for the  
offices we are filling, usually get  
acquainted with the people and  
that is the first essential element  
in the plan I am about to propose.

"Now having made and prepar-  
ed the crop for the gins, we must  
make arrangements to have re-  
ports from that part of the work  
and we are to arrive in the same  
way at the character and standing  
of the ginners, and then seek to im-  
press upon him the most grave and  
responsible duty he is called upon  
to perform, and in co-operation  
with the United States agricul-  
tural officials, we ought to be en-  
abled to get honest and truthful  
reports from the ginning.

"Gentlemen, let us resolve here  
today that we will devote our best

energies and unceasing efforts to  
the accomplishment of this much  
desired and most valuable end;  
and if we will do that, do our full  
duty in the premises, we will not  
see the speculators in command of  
the markets and actually dictating  
prices by being in control of the  
machinery, and by the doctoring  
and making of reports of the crop  
at will. We must see to it that we  
alone are in control of the process  
by which this information is ob-  
tained and given out, and bring  
such influences to bear upon those  
called upon to make them, that a  
false or untrue return will be a  
lasting disgrace and shame upon  
those who dare to make them. In  
that way, and that way alone, with  
a healthy and well defined public  
sentiment, can we hope ever to  
have our reports as trustworthy  
and as reliable as they ought to be."

The report of the committee on  
permanent organization followed.  
It provides for the Southern Cot-  
ton association, embracing all the  
cotton producing states and terri-  
tories, to regulate cotton produc-  
tion, cotton supply and financing  
and especially cotton marketing,  
using every effort to secure broad-  
er markets and to limit the pro-  
duction to the demand at renun-  
erative prices and to reduce to a  
minimum all expense of handling  
cotton and its products from the  
time it leaves the field until it  
reaches the consumer. There are  
to be state and territorial, county  
and parish and subdivisional as-  
sociations, all related to the parent  
stem. Officers are to be elected  
once a year. The executive com-  
mittee of the main association is  
to consist of twenty-six members,  
apportioned as follows:

Alabama 3, Arkansas 2, Florida  
1, Georgia 3, Louisiana 2, Missis-  
sippi 3, North Carolina 2, South  
Carolina 2, Tennessee 1, Texas 5,  
Oklahoma 1, Missouri 1, Indian  
Territory 1.

At the night session President  
Jordan named as the committee to  
visit President Roosevelt in the in-  
terest of an enlargement of the  
cotton trade, ex-Senator McLau-  
rin, John M. Parker of New Or-  
leans, and E. Ashcroft of Alabama.

A resolution by C. H. Jenkins of  
Texas, was adopted, declaring the  
report of the committee on statis-  
tics as not intended to criticize  
the work of the government bu-  
reau, expressing confidence in them  
and asking Congress for appropri-  
ations to make the service more  
efficient.

A resolution was passed warn-  
ing farmers not to accept the propo-  
sitions which are being plausibly  
made to them to turn over their  
cotton to warehousemen and others  
at \$25 a bale, with an agree-  
ment that they may receive the  
balance thereon at any time before  
September 1, 1905, at the then  
market price.

The convention then listened to  
an address on diversification by  
R. R. Smith of Sherman, Tex., and  
after benediction by the Rev. Mr.  
Sublett of South Carolina, in fi-  
nally adjourned.—Age-Herald, Fri-  
day, Jan. 27th.

A member of the Texas Legis-  
lature has introduced a bill in that  
body against the evil habit of car-  
rying concealed pistols, and the  
bill provides that any person car-  
rying a pistol who shoots or at-  
tempts to shoot, with intent to kill  
or injure, or who shall make simi-  
lar attack with dirk or knife, shall  
be confined in the penitentiary for  
not less than two years nor more  
than three years. It is said in  
Texas the people have suffered  
greatly from the pernicious con-  
cealed weapons habit, and that can  
be said too of our own State. There  
may be one time in life when a  
person would have use for the  
deadly weapons concealed about his  
person, but there are a great  
many more times when the having  
of the weapon causes the carrier to  
get into trouble and perhaps de-  
prive some good citizen of his life,  
when if the carrying of the pistol  
was absolutely prohibited, all  
would have been well. It is to be  
hoped that this damaging and dan-  
gerous habit will be curtailed, and  
laws, no matter how strenuous,  
should be made and enforced to  
that effect.

## From Little Beeswax Bridge.

Well Mr. Editor, I have just perus-  
ed the action of the great New Or-  
leans Cotton Convention which has  
just passed into history, and I am en-  
thused from the sole of my foot to  
the crown of my head, realizing the  
fact that we wealth producers have  
found a friend in the shape of a  
"mare's nest." The humble bankers  
and professional men of America have  
taken the bull by the horn and will  
be masters of the situation. Now,  
Mr. Editor, all we farmers have got to  
do is to put our ear to the ground and  
listen for advice from the hired sub-  
siding press of the freezed financial  
banking system. It is our duty to  
walk humble and work hard and make  
a diversity of all food crops. Over-

Rummage of Ribbons; Rummage of Laces.

Cash Only.

Motto: "The Working Man's Friend and the Farmers Protector."

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The Month of February to be the Crowning Climax

OF THE

## GREAT FEBRUARY RUMMAGE SALE!!

A Perfect Deluge of  
Cyclonic Bargains

BEGINNING FEBRUARY 2, AT 9:30 A. M. SHARPE.

Thousands of Dollars' Worth of Seasonable Merchandise Sacrificed! We are Overstocked and Must Throw  
Overboard Enormous Quantities of This Class Goods—Stocks Must be Quickly Righted Throughout the Store from

Basement to Roof!!

The entire collection of 25 Departments suffer terrific mark downs! Many small lots of various merchandise are being constantly  
closed out at less than FIFTY CENTS on the dollar. The entire month of February we intend to demonstrate our absolute leadership  
in value giving by distributing broadcast to all who come of the Most Remarkable Merchandise Values Ever Witnessed in Columbiana.The "Rummage" Sale as Inaugurated on Wednesday, February 1st, is Town and Country Talk, and the Sale is winning More Friends  
for this Store than any Similar Event Ever Promulgated by this Concern. As told before, WE ARE OVERSTOCKED—Certain  
Stocks and Departments have far too much Merchandise for this season of the year. WE MUST UNLOAD and UNLOAD QUICK-  
LY—Hence the "RUMMAGE SALE." Scattered throughout the store are hundreds of Counters, special tables and groups  
of Rummage Merchandise of all Classes and Kinds to be Closed Out at a Tremendous Sacrifice. READ THIS "AD" CAREFULLY  
Many of the best Items were left out for want of space. Be on hand WITHOUT FAIL during this Month and get your share of the

GOOD THINGS.

## RUMMAGE SALE.

Ladies' Ready-to-wear! Greatest  
Sacrifice ever known.25 only Ladies', all-wool tailored  
suits, were \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00;  
this sale to go at \$5.50.One lot Children's Reefers were  
\$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00; this sale  
\$1.00.One lot Ladies' Jackets and  
Tourist Coats were \$7.50, \$10.00,  
\$12.50, \$15.00; this sale \$4.98.One lot Baby Cloaks \$1.50, and  
\$2.00; Rummage Sale price 98 cts.  
Another lot was 75 cts, \$1.00 and  
\$1.25; now 48 cts.One lot Ladies' Water Proof  
Skirts were \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50;  
now 98 cts.One lot Black, Brown and Blue  
Venetian, nicely tailored, were  
\$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00; now \$3.98.Corsets, Corsets, Corsets, Corsets!  
R. & G. and W. & B. in this  
sale 50 cents on \$1.00.Ladies, Misses and Childrens  
Walking and Trimmed Hats 50  
cents on the \$1.00.

## DRESS GOODS!

Double-width Cashmere in all  
colors, were 15 and 25 cents; this  
sale 10 cents.Single Worsted in Gray only,  
was 10 and 12½ cents; this sale  
7½ cents.One lot Woolen Dress Goods  
were 50, 75 and \$1.00; this sale  
38 cents per yard.One lot light colored Percales,  
36-inch wide, sells everywhere at  
12½ cents; to go in this sale at  
7½ cents.3000 Remnants of Chambray,  
worth 10 cents yard; goes in this  
sale at 7 1-2 cents.Big lot Children's, Boy's and  
Misses Union Suits, were 35, 40  
and 50 cents; goes in this sale at  
22 cents.Lot of Ladies' Union Suits, were  
50 and 75 cents kind; this sale at  
39 cents.Ladies' Ribbed Vests were 25  
and 35 cents; to go at 18 cents.Another lot worth 50 cents to go  
in at 23 cents.All kinds of gentlemen's under-  
wear to go in same proportion.

## LADIES' FINE SHIRT WAIST!

One lot of fine silk Waists in all  
colors, that were \$4.00, \$5.00 and  
\$6.00 values; to go in this sale at  
\$2.98. Be sure and come quick.One lot Woolen Shirt Waists  
were \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00; this sale  
at \$2.48.Another lot was \$2.00, \$2.50;  
this sale at 89 cents.

## CLOTHING! CLOTHING! CLOTHING!!

All our Clothing to go in this  
Sale at 50 per cent. discount.Boy's and Youths Suits to go  
likewise.

## HATS! HATS!! HATS!!!

All to go at 33½ off.

All kinds of Curtain Serim  
worth 10 cents; to go in this sale  
at 4 cents.50 Pieces Apron Gingham,  
worth 7½ cents; to go in this sale  
at 5 cents per yard.Big Lot Jeans was 20 cents per  
yard; now 12 cents per yard.

30 cents Jeans at 18 cents yard.

A few nice Overcoats to go at  
your own price or 50 cents on \$1.00.

## SHOES! SHOES!! SHOES!!!

\$5000.00 worth of Shoes to go in this Sale at Money Saving  
prices to you.

## OUR HEAVY LINES.

We also carry a big lot of Furniture, Trunks, Hardware, Harness,  
Saddles, Rock Hill Buggies, Studebaker and Florence Land 2-  
horse Wagons, Mattings, Carpets, Rugs, Shot Guns, and heavy  
Staple Groceries on which we can and will save you money in  
same proportion.

## STRICT TERMS:—

1. All goods sold for cash.
2. Nothing on approval.
3. No alternations made.
4. Not responsible for lost bundles.
5. Be patient, wait your turn.

THE SECRET

YOURS to Serve,  
Columbiana Mercantile Company,

Wholesale and Retail Stores.

Columbiana, Alabama.

production is the glory of usurers.  
Don't tell me it is over-production,  
when labor is half fed and half clothed.  
Why pass resolutions? Why not  
strike at the root of all evil. Con-  
gress alone has the power to remove  
the evil. Will organization give re-  
lief when that power was delegated  
to congress over a hundred years ago?  
The truth of the whole matter is, con-  
gress has surrendered the whole mat-  
ter to a few grand rascals, who fatten  
upon other men's labor.

Now, Mr. Editor, let us watch as  
well as pray; there will be several  
side shows to detract the minds of the  
people from the real issues. Let us  
stand together for our own good. We  
all feel the hand of oppression. It is  
always the unseen hand which strikes.  
We feel the effect, but never realize  
from whence it came; so now, Mr.  
Editor, wisdom has built her house,  
and her rooms have been furnished  
with charity. An equal distribution  
of wealth according to the effort put  
forth is what we need. The good  
book says: If a man smite thee on one  
cheek, turn unto him also the other,  
and if a man sue thee and take away  
thy coat, give unto him also thy  
cloak; and don't that mean not to go  
into co-hoot with your enemy?

OLD SKEW BALL.

## Could Not Be Better.

I find after selling Chamberlain's  
Cough Remedy for some time it is  
no use to change off for another.  
We don't see how it could be any  
better. I will try to keep it in  
stock all the time.

C. W. BRADY,  
Gale, Ind.BOUGHT CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REM-  
EDY AND SENT IT TO FRIENDS.

Mr. P. W. J. Fletcher, a druggist in  
Victoria, Australia, says: "A custom-  
er of mine was so pleased with Cham-  
berlain's Cough Remedy, which she  
had used for her children when suffer-  
ing from colds and croup, that during  
a fortnight's time she obtained at my  
shop nine bottles, which she sent to  
her friends in different parts of the  
state, telling them how much good it  
had done and advising them to give it  
a trial." For sale by Williams Bros.

BUY THE  
NEW HOME  
SEWING MACHINE

Before You Purchase Any Other Write  
THE NEW HOME SEWING MACHINE COMPANY  
ORANGE, MASS.

Many Sewing Machines are made to sell regard-  
less of quality, but the "New Home" is made  
to wear. Our guarantee never runs out.  
We make Sewing Machines to suit all conditions  
of the trade. The "New Home" stands at the  
head of all High-grade family sewing machines  
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FOR SALE BY  
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## LOW RATES TO THE SOUTHWEST.

## ROUND TRIP

On sale first and third Tuesday of each month.

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On sale February 21st and March 21st, 1905.

For information concerning trip to any point, write

J. N. CORNATZAR,

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## LOW EXCURSION RATES

## TO MOBILE AND NEW ORLEANS

Account Mardi Gras Celebration,  
March 2nd to 7th, 1905.

On account of the above occasion  
the Southern Railway will sell ex-  
cursion tickets at the very low rate of  
one fare plus 25 cents for the round  
trip. Tickets will be sold March 1, 2,  
and 3, with final limit returning to  
leave Washington not later than  
March 18, 1905. For full information  
and tickets, apply to any Southern  
Railway Agent, or address  
J. N. Harrison,  
District Passenger Agent,  
R. B. Creagh,  
Traveling Passenger Agent,  
Birmingham, Ala.

## PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION,

Washington, D. C., March 4th, 1905.

On account of the above occasion  
the Southern Railway will sell ex-  
cursion tickets at the very low rate of  
one fare plus 25 cents for the round  
trip. Tickets will be sold March 1, 2,  
and 3, with final limit returning to  
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Rummage of Ribbons; Rummage of Laces.

Rummage of Embroideries; Rummage of Odd Pants.



# THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE

## Social and Local News.

Frank Fallon, of beat 4, was in town Wednesday.

Hubbard Dykes, of Shelby, was in town Monday.

A. H. Avery, of Shelby, was in the city Monday.

Mrs. J. S. Pitts, we are glad to state, is improving.

N. T. Lucas, of Montevallo, was in the city Tuesday.

The small pox scare is all over with in Columbiana.

J. P. Pearson, of Bridgeton, was in the city Saturday.

Judge A. P. Longshore was in Birmingham Monday.

Go to the oyster supper tonight at the Central Hotel.

C. A. Glaze, of near Creswell, was in town Tuesday.

Wales Wallace visited relatives in Birmingham last week.

J. T. Leaser, Esq., was in Talladega Monday on business.

R. H. Long, of Calera, was in town Tuesday on business.

Phillip Erick spent last Friday in Bessemer with relatives.

Several of our people have been sick this week with la grippe.

Prof. Henry Gilbert returned Sunday from a visit to Atlanta.

Leo Friedberger went over to Birmingham Friday on business.

Mrs. Max Letkovits visited relatives in Talladega a few days this week.

John Millstead and Will Smith, of Wilsonville, were in town last Friday.

I. Gordon and family spent a few hours in Calera Sunday with friends.

Mrs. Howard Latham visited relatives in Montevallo Sunday and Monday.

Circuit Clerk John R. Dyke visited up at Sterrett Sunday and Monday.

Miss Edna Nelson returned Thursday from a visit to friends at Tuscaloosa.

E. S. Lyman, of Montevallo, was in the city Monday and Tuesday on business.

Henry Latham visited relatives in Montevallo a part of Saturday and Sunday.

M. A. Jennings, of Vincent, was in town Thursday and Friday talking insurance.

Charley Brooks, of Birmingham, spent a few days here last week with his family.

Supt. J. O. Dorrough, of Dunnavant, was in town Friday and Saturday on business.

Mrs. Harry Roberts spent Sunday at Oxford with the family of Rev. T. K. Roberts.

Dr. C. T. Acker, county health officer, reports small pox at Pelham and Harpersville.

There will be an oyster supper at the Central Hotel tonight, Thursday. Everybody go.

Mrs. A. W. Strickland returned Tuesday from a visit to relatives in Birmingham and Pelham.

Revs. C. W. O'Hara and T. M. Nelson attended the Fifth Sunday meeting at Dogwood Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. P. Christian and Miss Rossie Christian left Tuesday for Cincinnati, Ohio, where they will remain for several weeks.

Mr. E. S. Goodale died at his home in Shelby a few days with pneumonia; he was sick only a few days when the end came.

In this issue of the Advocate will be found the large advertisement of the Columbiana Mercantile Company. Read the great bargains they are offering you.

Rev. Joseph Duglinton filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday at 11 A. M. There was no preaching at the night service on account of rain.

Gip Harmon, Marshal of Calera, was in town Friday. It will be remembered that Mr. Harmon was shot in the back a few weeks ago while standing in Abe Stein's saloon by unknown persons.

When bilious try a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and realize for once how quickly a first-class up-to-date medicine will correct the disorder. For sale by Williams Brothers.

## Sans Souci Club Entertains.

The Sans Souci Club entertained at the home of Miss Edna Nelson from eight to twelve Monday evening. The decoration of the parlor presented a scene of loveliness for the occasion, and the members of the "club" were a "cute" set of lovely girls, attired in the uniforms of their order. The members composing the Sans Souci Club, were: Misses Edna Nelson, Lallage Longshore, Corrylin Rowe, Emmie Abercrombie, Lula Wilson and Rosa Christian, and the gentlemen invited to be present and become honorary members of the Club, were: W. W. Wallace, L. E. Christian, J. N. Robertson, Will Abercrombie, L. C. Roberts and Osce Bird. Upon the arrival of the young men, they were invited by Miss Nelson to become honorary members, whereupon Mr. Wallace, on behalf of the young men, in a few well chosen remarks, expressed their profound willingness to do so, and the appreciation of the high honor conferred upon them, whereupon the entire party began to mingle their merry chattering under membership of the Sans Souci Club. Progressive games were indulged in, wherein Mr. L. E. Christian was the prize winner. Delicious refreshments were served. The evening was one full of glee and the wee small hours of the night found the couples wending their way homeward after an evening long to be remembered in the social circles of Columbiana. Miss Nelson is a charming hostess.

## Resolutions Adopted by Shelby Lodge No. 140, A. F. & A. M., Commemorative of the Death of Richard Tinney.

Whereas, it hath pleased Almighty God in His providence to remove from the Lodge below to the Grand Lodge above, our esteemed brother, Richard Tinney, who had been a faithful member of this lodge for a great number of years, and whereas, in his death this lodge has lost a good member, and the community a just and upright citizen; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we bow with humble submission to the decrees of an Allwise God, feeling that while we do not understand His workings with us now, we know that he doeth all things well.

Resolved 2. That we tender his bereaved wife and family our sympathy in this hour of sore affliction.

Resolved 3. That we wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved 4. That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this lodge, a copy be presented to the family of our deceased brother, and a copy furnished the Columbiana Sentinel and Peoples Advocate, with request that same be published.

H. M. MILLSTEAD,  
JOHN W. JOHNSON,  
D. R. McILLAN,  
Committee.

## GRAVE TROUBLE FORSEEN.

It needs but little foresight, to tell, that when your stomach and liver are badly affected, grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened, and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters, I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved me. Best medicine for weak women. Sold by Williams Bros. and Latham Drug Co., druggists, at 60c a bottle."

T. B. Holcombe, of Coalville, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary Parker has been sick for several days, but is better now.

W. M. Connell, of beat 2, was among the visitors here Tuesday.

We have two articles that had to be left out this week for want of space, but we will publish them in our next issue.

Rev. J. G. Walker and Miss Grace Walker moved Wednesday to the residence of C. W. O'Hara near the Methodist parsonage. Rev. O'Hara and family moving into their other house near by.

The funeral of Mrs. T. H. Watersworth, who died on Wednesday evening of last week, was conducted last Friday morning at 10 o'clock at the residence of her father, J. T. Cromwell, by Rev. G. T. Harris, of the Methodist church, after which her remains were laid to rest in the city cemetery.

Mr. J. H. Cross, of Shelby, died at his home in that place last Saturday of pneumonia. Mr. Cross was a hale-hearted man up to the time of the attack by that dreadful disease. He was about 50 years of age. He was a good citizen and was well liked by all who knew him. His remains were laid to rest in the Shelby cemetery Sunday morning, Rev. G. T. Harris, of this place, conducting the funeral service.

## County Court Jurors.

The following is a list petit jurors drawn to serve at the February term of County Court, which convenes on February 20th:

F. A. Lynch, W. G. Skelton, O. S. Lybrand, W. G. Martin, A. L. Blackmon, L. A. Smith, F. M. Lee, Tom Lawley, Isaac Howard, J. H. McMillan, W. S. Hartsfield, J. M. Johnson, W. S. McKen, J. W. Ellensburg, Frank Allen, A. J. E. Cross, J. A. Shirley, H. A. Worthy, J. J. Lovett, Geo. W. Green, W. T. Dunnaway, H. O. Bassett, Lewis Horton, E. B. Horton.

## Teachers Passed.

The following teachers have passed the State Examination to teach school in Shelby county: Walter O'Hara, Annie Finley, Janie Wallace, W. H. Gilbert, Columbiana; Stella Posey, Harpersville; Nadine Helm, Coralie Morris, Susie May Ezelle, Montevallo; J. W. Stone, Calvary; James H. Walton, Wilsonville; Ona Harmon, Bamford; Era H. Sewell, colored, Shelby.

## FRAUD EXPOSED.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to beware of such people, who seek to profit through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing disease, for over 35 years. A sure protection, to you, is our name on the wrapper. Look for it, on all Dr. King's or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. BUCKLEN & CO., Chicago, Ill., and all Windsor, Canada.

## From Summer Hill.

Editor Advocate:—If you will allow me a little space, I will give my ideas in regard to our school funds. I want to say that I heartily endorse Supt. Dorrough's plan in regard to raising the school funds in this county. This is a great question for the people to consider.

First. We need some plan in which we can have more teachers. There ought to be at least one teacher to every District. We haven't any teachers in our District; it is not because we have not tried. I know that I have done everything I could to get one. Our District is No. 29, better known as the Summer Hill District.

I have talked to several of my neighbors about Mr. Dorrough's letter in regard to raising the school funds, and we think the way to do it is to levy a tax not less than 15 cents on the hundred dollars worth of taxable property. I don't think that Buffalo Bill & Co's., plan will do. I know that our taxes are heavy now, but we need some way to raise the school funds. Until we get something like this we will have no schools in the country to amount to much. I think this is the best way to build up our schools. I want to thank Mr. Dorrough, our County Supt., for suggesting this plan. It is just what I have been advocating all the time. I am in hopes that every district in the county will consider this among themselves, and let our County Supt. know what we think about it. Let us give our children what education we can. Unless we can get the public school funds raised it will be very little.

Some will say there is a good school at Columbiana, send your children there; that is so and they say it is a public school. There is plenty of us that are not able to pay our children's board to send them there.

I believe if the people could get a chance to vote on this question they would vote to raise the taxes on the taxable property 15 cents on the hundred dollars worth of property.

I have been talking with Mr. L. Q. Gould, the other Trustee, and he is in favor of this 15 cents raise on the hundred. I hope to see the time when we will have better and longer terms of school in the country as well as in the towns.

## W. D. BEARDEN.

## DO NOT SUPPRESS A COUGH.

When you have a cough do not try to suppress it, but remove the cause. The cough is only a symptom of some disease, and the disease is what you should cure, then the cough will stop of itself. The most common cause of coughing is a cold. Anodynes will promptly suppress the cough, and preparations containing chloroform, opium, etc., are used for that purpose, but they do not cure the cold. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on the other hand does not suppress the cough, but relieves it by removing from the throat and lungs the mucus which obstructs the breathing and allows the irritation and itching in the throat. It also opens the secretions and effectually and permanently cures the cold as well as the cough. For sale by Williams Brothers.

## Sunday School Association.

The twenty-second annual Convention of the Alabama Sunday School Association will be held in the city of Birmingham, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 25-27 next. The basis of representation is as follows: All officers of the State Association, five delegates at large from each county, all ministers of the Gospel; the Superintendent and two other delegates from each Sunday school.

The railroads of the State have granted a rate of one and one-third fare, on the certificate plan, to delegates attending the Convention. The delegates will be entertained by the Sunday school workers of Birmingham.

## POISONS IN FOOD.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in a twinge of dyspepsia that you may feel a few days. But some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food or money back. 25c at Williams Bros., and Latham Drug Co's., drug store. Try them.

## FOR SALE—One horse, about 8 years, in good order. Will sell cheap for cash. G. W. COST.

## Winter Tourist Rates.

Excursion tickets are now on sale by the Southern Railway to all the popular Winter Resorts of Florida. For folder entitled, "Winter homes in the South," giving full information regarding hotel rates; also for information regarding passenger rates and schedules, apply to J. N. Harrison, District Passenger Agent. (Morris Hotel Building)

## Honor Roll.

The following is the honor roll of Harpersville School for month ending January 27, 1905:

First Grade—Neal Stone, Malory Darby, Carter Florey, Myrtle Baker, Carrie Borrough, Lula Green.

Second Grade—James Hatcher, Effie East, Maurice Hammond.

Third Grade—William Borrough Harvey Baker, Johnnie Stone, Howard Bazemore.

Fourth Grade—Claude Baker, Leon Kidd, Rose Bud East, Pearl Russell, Isaac Stone, Alonzo Jones.

Fifth Grade—Bessie Cross, Nellie Bell Darby, Ruby Hatcher, Kenneth Hammond, Icie Wyatt, Fannie Lee Hatcher.

Sixth Grade—Mary Posey, Mary Kyle Caldwell, Effie Wyatt, May Darby, Ethel Wheeler, Max East.

Seventh Grade—Willie Caldwell, Frank Wyatt, Rufus Cater, Bennie Wheeler, Ruth Davis.

Eighth Grade—Hance Caldwell, Phonso Ray, Miss Doccia Lane.

Ninth Grade—J. O. Borum, S. W. Caldwell, Miss Lookie Posey.

C. H. FLOREY,  
Principal.

## FOUND A CURE FOR INDIGESTION.

I use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for indigestion and find that they suit my case better than any dyspepsia remedy I have ever tried and I have used many different remedies. I am nearly fifty-one years of age and have suffered a great deal from indigestion. I can eat almost anything I want to now.—Geo. W. Emory, Rock Mills, Ala. For sale by Williams Brothers.

## Dargin.

Sunday was what we call a wet day.

No Sunday school at Dargin Sunday on account of bad weather.

J. L. Frost was in town last Monday night.

J. P. Harkins, of near Wilsonville, was in our community last week selling fruit trees.

J. P. Garrett, of Ebenezer, passed through our town last Saturday.

Prof. J. M. Dye, of Dogwood, passed through our town last Saturday.

H. B. Nabors and Bally Comer went up to Birmingham last week on business.

J. M. Baker went to Coalville one day last week.

Mr. Henderson and wife, of Talladega county, visited Mr. Mills, Mrs. Henderson's father, here last week.

R. E. Powers has a position with C. L. O'Neal, as carpenter.

Well, the question of schools is being discussed pro and con, and various suggestions offered, and we hope there will be some plan offered that will be adopted, whereby we can have better schools. It seems that we only get a small amount of the money that is coming to us anyway; it goes some where, but not to the rural districts. There must be a screw loose some where.

## BUFFALO BILL & CO.

Mr. Wm. S. Crane, of California, Md., suffered for years from rheumatism and lumbago. He was finally advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which he did and it effected a complete cure. This liniment is for sale by Williams Brothers.

## From Beat 9.

Mr. Editor:—Please allow me to correct a mistake in my letter that appeared in the Advocate of the 26th of January, wherein I stated that the inference to be drawn from Mr. Dorrough's statement was, that there was \$450,000 worth of taxable property in Shelby county. I should have said \$4,500,000.

Respectfully,  
I. P. O. HORTON.

## AGONIZING BURNS

are instantly relieved, and perfectly healed by Bucklen's Arnica Salve. C. Rivenbark, Jr., of Norfolk, Va., writes, "I burnt my knee dreadfully; that it blistered all over. Bucklen's Arnica Salve at once the pain and healed it without a scar." Also heals all wounds and sores. 25c at Williams Bros., and Latham Drug Co., druggists.

A girl calls it almost a proposal when a man rides downtown in the same street car with her.

## Probate Notice.

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co. Probate Court, Special Term, January 27th, 1905.  
Estate of Jno. W. Naish, Deceased.  
The said estate having been reported insolvent by Wesley Orley, C. 27th day of February, 1905, has been appointed to hear and determine upon said report. All parties having an interest in said estate are hereby cited to be and appear at my office, at the Court House of said County, on said day, to contest the same, if you think proper.  
Witness my hand, at office this 27th day of January, 1905.  
A. P. LONGSHORE, Judge.

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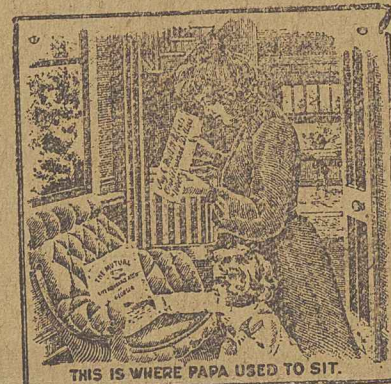
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Class A—Ages 16 to 30	\$4.00	One year from the date of policy and annually thereafter the annual dues are:
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Class D—Ages 50 to 55	7.00	
Class E—Ages 55 to 60	8.00	
Class A—Ages 16 to 30	\$1.00	
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Class C—Ages 40 to 50	1.50	
Class D—Ages 50 to 55	1.75	
Class E—Ages 55 to 60	2.00	

The above membership fees are paid only one time. Of these amount one dollar shall be placed in the hands of the local Secretary and Treasurer as an advanced assessment to meet the first death loss in above Division.

This money is kept at home in your local bank in the hands of the Treasurer of the above division, who is under good and sufficient bond. Paid only as a death claim to members of this particular division. The money goes to help the family of some neighbor who has died, and in this way all is kept at home. INSURANCE adds to your estate, strengthens your credit and gives immediate relief to your family when you die.

INSURANCE that can be carried by any one, from the small wage earner to the banker without burden.

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AN UNPARALLELED RECORD—\$4,700,000.00 is the amount of insurance written by the Mutual Life Industrial Association of Georgia in the last six months, ending the 30th day of June, 1904, in the States of Georgia and Alabama. Average Cost of Insurance to the policy holders throughout the State was \$5.45 a year per thousand. Paid beneficiaries \$21,357.00 during the six months. This is a sworn statement made by this company in its annual report to the insurance commissioner. If you have not a policy in this company, why not? \$5,528,000.00 of business written in May, June, July and August. We lead. Others try to follow. \$2,890,000.00 written September.

Reliable Men Wanted to Represent this Popular Company. Apply to GEO. M. WEBB, State Agent for Alabama, or T. A. LEATHERS,

2430 5th Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama. Division Agent, Columbiana, Ala.

First Application written in Shelby County, April 26th, 1904. We haven't had a single death in the Division and all it has cost the policy holders up to this time is their membership fee.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a Fi Fa, issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby county, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House door, in the town of Columbiana, on the 2nd day of January 1905, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest of Mrs. V. A. Davidson, in and to the following described property to wit:

Nw qr of ne qr, e half of nw qr, sw qr of nw qr, Sec. 8, tp 24, range 14 east, and se qr, sec. 5, tp 24, range 14 east, and nw qr of sw qr, sec. 2, tp 22, range 2 west, also lot No. 11, in the town of Montevallo, Ala. Levied upon as the property of Mrs. V. A. Davidson, to satisfy said Fi Fa, in my hands in favor of Birmingham Dry Goods Co. This 1st day of December, 1904.  
R. F. COX, Sheriff.

The above is continued until January 30th 1905.  
R. F. COX, Sheriff.  
Above sale continued until Feb. 6, 1905.  
R. F. COX, Sheriff.

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## COMMODORE NICHOLSON RECOMMENDS PE-RU-NA.



COMMODORE Somerville Nicholson, of the United States Navy, in a letter from 1837 R Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., says:

"*After Peruna has been and is now used by so many of my friends and acquaintances as a sure cure for catarrh that I am convinced of its curative qualities and I unhesitatingly recommend it to all persons suffering from that complaint.*"

Our army and our navy are the natural protection of our country.

Peruna is the natural protection of the army and navy in the vicissitudes of climate and exposure.

We have on file thousands of testimonials from prominent people in the army and navy.

We can give our readers only a slight glimpse of the vast array of unsolicited endorsements Dr. Hartman is constantly receiving for his widely known and efficient remedy, Peruna.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. S. B. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice.

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The strongest kind of testimonials are received from officers of his rank concerning the virtues of Peruna for all catarrhal ailments.

Only a small per cent. of these can be used for publication for want of space.

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## HOUSEHOLD AFFAIRS



### CHEESE BISCUIT.

Make any tea biscuit batter and roll out till about a half inch thick; spread thickly with grated cheese, sprinkle with cayenne pepper, a little salt and some bits of butter. Roll tightly, cut from the end, jelly-cake fashion, and bake. Serve hot or cold.

### SWEET POTATO SOUFFLE.

Peel six medium-sized sweet potatoes, cut into dice and line the bottom of a buttered dish; sprinkle with brown sugar and drop over it bits of butter, next a layer of potatoes, then sugar and butter, and so on till the dish is full and the sugar layer is on top. Bake and serve hot.

### SQUASH FRITTERS.

Add a cupful of milk to two of canned or freshly boiled winter squash; with this mix two beaten eggs, a teaspoonful of salt, a little pepper and a heaping teaspoonful of baking powder. Drop by tablespoonfuls into hot lard and fry. Serve with sweet or sour sauce as preferred.

### SPICE PUDDING.

One-half cupful of granulated sugar, half a cup of butter, one cupful of molasses, two teaspoonfuls of cinnamon and one of cloves, one cup of boiling water, in which has been dissolved a teaspoonful of baking powder. Beat well together, then add two cupfuls of flour, and, lastly, four well-beaten eggs. Steam, and when done serve with an egg sauce.

### MAPLE CUSTARDS.

Beat five eggs until a spoonful can be lifted without stringing. Add one-half cup of maple syrup, a teaspoonful of salt, stir well, then add three cups of milk and strain into a mould or individual cups. Wet the inside of the cups with cold water. The hot water in the pan in which the custards are set to bake should not boil after baking is begun.

### APPLE SHORTCAKES.

Make a paste as follows: Sift four cupfuls of pastry flour and four teaspoonfuls of baking powder together very thoroughly with two tablespoonfuls of powdered sugar and a half teaspoonful of salt. With the finger tips work in a cup of butter and two cups of milk. Roll out lightly without touching it more than is necessary. Bake fifteen minutes in a moderately hot oven. When done, cut into individual sizes with a biscuit cutter, split, butter and spread each piece with a strained apple sauce and serve with whipped cream. These are very delicious also when made with preserves or any fresh crushed fruit.



### Hints for Housewives.

To clean flat-irons rub them on green cedar.

Clean your cooking utensils with a piece of soft red brick.

Wash your stove with vinegar before polishing, and mark the result.

Brown paper moistened in vinegar will polish your tin until they shine like silver.

Rub a drop of olive oil on your knives and forks before putting away, and they will retain their brightness and be free from rust.

To remove grease spilled on a kitchen hearth—procure a piece of new rough hearthstone and rub vigorously, and the grease will disappear as if by magic.

A tablespoonful of vinegar added to each pint of water makes a capital preservative for chrysanthemums. The stems of the flowers should be clipped each morning.

Clean brass with powdered bath-brick and a damp flannel and afterward polish with dry brick dust and a leather. This is the cheapest brass polish and quite effectual.

A jug mop made by nailing a dozen little bits of linen or cotton rag on the point of a stick, is a great help in washing jugs which are too small for the hand to be inserted.

To prevent wooden bowls from cracking, immerse them in cold water, then set over the fire, bring to the boiling point, and let boil for an hour, and don't take them out until the water has gradually cooled.

Paint spots on glass can be removed by moistening with a strong solution of soda—the common kitchen variety. This will soften them, when they can be rubbed off, and the glass should then be rubbed with alcohol.

A soothing drink for a sore throat that is recommended, is made of a pint of barley water brought to a boil over a hot fire, to which is added, while stirring until dissolved, one ounce of the best gum arabic. Sweeten to taste.

To clean the ivory handles of knives, mix ammoniac and olive oil in equal parts, and add enough prepared chalk to make a paste. Rub the ivory with this, and let dry before brushing off. Several applications may be necessary.

Stains made by dipping candle grease (and such ugly things are the penalty one pays for these ornamental adjuncts to the dinner table) may be removed by placing a piece of blotting paper over the spots and pressing with a hot iron. This applies to stains in fabrics.

Her Thoroughness.

"Now, there was my aunt Philinda Pine," ruminatingly remarked the Old Coder. "She was such a careful, painstaking woman, with a nice little knot of hair like a horse-chestnut on the back of her head, that when little Oscar had the measles she counted 'em.'"—Puck.

The Best Man.

God has the best man for the best man, although men cannot always see this until the work is finished.—H. J. Steward.

### Mammoth Goose Incubator.

On a certain goose farm in the middle west there is an incubator with a capacity for 10,000 eggs, says a writer in Country Life in America. These eggs are not, however, placed in the incubator at one time, but are so arranged that one section will hatch each day, being refilled as soon as the goslings are taken out. The geese are raised on this farm for their feathers alone, which are used in the upholstery business.

### Ambassadors to England.

No more splendid roll is to be found in our history than that of our representatives at the court of St. James. In the number appear five men who were subsequently presidents of the United States. There are the names of many men famous as statesmen and honorably distinguished in the great scenes of our national life; also the names of lawyers of great repute; and in Washington Irving, Bancroft, Motley and Lowell men who have added luster to our literature.

The Aztec Indians of Mexico are noted for their strength. An Aztec porter has been seen to take a cask of claret weighing 400 pounds on his back and carry it quite a distance.

### Size and Value of a Fir Tree.

A fir tree was cut on Oregon recently which made nine sawings averaging fourteen feet in length, scaling 21,483 feet broad measure. The product of this one tree will bring more than \$1,000.

### The Primrose League.

The Primrose League, founded by English Tories in honor of Lord Beaconsfield, is twenty-one years old, having risen from an original membership of 957 to 1,686,337. It is peculiar as being the first great political organization to invite the participation of women in its membership and to some extent in its management. Acredly carried on to support conservative leaders, of course, it rarely discusses and never criticises their action.

### A Physician Reported by Prof. Mueller.

of Goettingen, has been able to work out in a few seconds the squares of any numbers of five figures, and to learn and repeat in twelve and one-half minutes a row of 204 figures. The greatest earlier feat in memory for numbers was the learning of 204 figures in 57 minutes.

### Blind Man a Typewriter.

A blind typewriter operator, Geo. W. E. Raper, is employed at the Atlas engine works. He not only is an operator, but is a rapid and accurate one, and no one would suspect, seeing his rapid and confident manipulation, of the keys, that he can not see. He works in the same manner as his numerous companions. Letters, messages and telegrams are dictated to a graphophone, and the graphophone in turn dictates its message to the stenographer.

### In learning the use of a machine.

he had placed on the keys raised dots known as the New York count system, that represented by the keys. When he learned the location of the keys the raised dots were dispensed with, and now he can use almost any typewriter with a universal shift key-board. He has been employed in several establishments as a typewriter operator, not using a graphophone, but taking dictation direct upon his machine. Mr. Raper is handicapped in one manner, and that is in the correction of his manuscript. But on account of this handicap his work is superior to that of the ordinary typewriter operator who can see, as he has learned to make exceedingly few typographical errors.

### A FELLOW FEELING.

Why She Felt Lenient Towards the Drunkard.

A great deal depends on the point of view. A good temperance woman was led, in a very peculiar way, to revise her somewhat harsh judgment of the poor devil who cannot resist his cups, and she is now the more charitable. She writes:

"For many years I was a great sufferer from asthma. Finally my health got so poor that I found I could not lie down, but walked the floor whilst others slept. I got so nervous I could not rest any more.

"Specialists told me I must give up the use of coffee—the main thing that I always thought gave me some relief. I consulted our family physician, and he, being a coffee fiend himself, told me to pay no attention to their advice. Coffee had such a charm for me that in passing a restaurant and getting a whiff of the fragrance I could not resist a cup. I felt very lenient toward the drunkard who could not pass the saloon. Friends often urged me to try Postum. But I turned a deaf ear, saying 'That may do for people to whom coffee is harmful, but not for me—coffee and I will never part.'

"At last, however, I bought a package of Postum, although I was sure I could not drink it. I prepared it as directed, and served it for breakfast. Well, bitter as I was against it, I must say that never before had I tasted a more delicious cup of coffee! From that day to this (more than 2 years) I have never had a desire for the old coffee. My health soon returned; the asthma disappeared, I began to sleep well, and in a short time I gained 20 pounds in weight.

"One day I handed my physician the tablets he had prescribed for me, telling him I had no use for them. He stayed for dinner. When I passed him his coffee cup he remarked, 'I am glad to see you were sensible enough not to let yourself be persuaded that coffee was harmful. This is the best cup of coffee I ever drank,' he continued; 'the trouble is so few people know how to make good coffee.' When he got his second cup I told him I was drinking Postum. He was incredulous, but I convinced him, and now he uses nothing but Postum in his home, and has greatly improved in health."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each package for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

### Has Marie Antionette's Table.

Mrs. Howard Gould, through an agent, recently made a delightful find in Paris—no less a curio than the chess table of Marie Antionette, on which the luckless queen whiled away the weary hours in the Louvre after the women of Paris dragged her from Versailles, and over which, doubtless, she dreamed of happier days she had passed in the Tuilleries and the Little Trianon. It is a quaint bit of furniture—precisely the sort one would expect "the Austrian Woman" to use. The style, naturally, is that of Louis Quinze, for it was new when Marie Theresa sent it across the Alps to her daughter, and at that time everything pertaining to the Fifteenth Louis was in fashion, even though the throne of France was tottering on its foundation. For Louis was on the throne. The curving and carving of the legs are wonders of the cabinet-maker's art. They are adorned with inlaying of mother-of-pearl and silver filigree of rare delicacy. The top of the table is of fine rosewood, with alternate squares inlaid in ivory to make the board. In one corner is a little hollow said to have been worn by the queen's signet ring as she rested her left hand on the glossy surface. Mrs. Gould declines to say what she paid for the table, but it is whispered the price ran well into the tens of thousands—of francs, at any rate.

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## GENERAL STATE NEWS.

Current News Garnered as It Falls From the Plant of Report.

### A Very Large Fire.

Birmingham, Ala.—Property located on First avenue and Morris avenue, between Twenty-first and Twentieth streets, valued at about \$240,000, was destroyed by fire between 1 and 3 o'clock Sunday morning.

Chief Mullin had about given up all hope of saving a single building in the block bounded by Twentieth and Twenty-first streets and First and Morris avenues, but at 2:30 hope revived and the situation improved rapidly.

Telegraphed for Assistance. Montgomery, Atlanta and Chattanooga had been telegraphed for assistance, the fire department here fearing that the fire might spread to adjacent blocks and wipe out some of the most valuable property in the city.

The Woodward building, the Metropolitan hotel property, the Union station and likewise all property on the north side of First avenue between Twentieth and Twenty-first streets seemed in jeopardy.

For more than an hour the city had been illuminated within a radius of ten blocks by the high leaping flames, and sparks were falling in showers over a radius of four blocks.

The fire broke out on the second floor of the building at Morris avenue and Twenty-first street, occupied by Franklin, Stiles & Franklin, produce dealers, and owned by the Earle estate.

One fire engine, driven at full speed, exploded.

The loss, as near as can be estimated, is as follows:

Earle building, First avenue, \$27,000; Tomlinson building, First avenue, \$25,000; Harrison building, First avenue, \$5,000; Earle double on Morris avenue, \$12,000; two other buildings on Morris avenue (owners not ascertained), \$15,000; Garro Co.'s stock, \$70,000; Candy Co.'s stock, \$15,000; Drs. Dozier's equipment, \$2,000; Coffey Co.'s stock, \$15,000; Snider Tobacco Co.'s stock, \$5,000; Franklin, Stiles & Franklin's stock, \$15,000; Erb Co.'s stock, \$3,000; Cooper Co.'s stock, \$5,000; Norton Co.'s stock, \$15,000; Camp Hardee, \$2,000; Twenty-first street bridge, \$1,000; French plate glass furniture and fixtures, \$5,000. Total, \$237,000.

### Daughter Burned; Father Frozen.

Gadsden, Ala.—Ruth, the 7-year-old daughter of Mrs. Tate Condon, was severely burned Saturday afternoon by her clothing being ignited from the fire place. She was at the home of a man named Jeffries and standing near the fire with her back turned when her dress caught. She ran out of the house to her mother's, nearby, with the dress in flames and fell at the door exhausted.

Her dress was pulled off her, but not before her body was burned from her legs to her head and the flesh hanging in pieces. Her mother wrapped her up in a piece of carpeting and brought her to town, where she was given medical attention. Her burns will not result seriously unless pneumonia sets in from exposure. Her father was found frozen nearly to death the same afternoon in a buggy in the rear of a Chestnut street saloon. He was frozen stiff and the spark of life was almost gone when he was found by the police. He was taken to jail and revived and may recover.

### Green County Planter Drops Dead.

Demopolis, Ala.—W. N. Glover, a prominent citizen and extensive planter of Green county, fell dead in the hall of his home near Forkland, while on his way to his office to pay some hands.

### Gruesome Wedding.

Montgomery, Ala.—W. J. Watson and Miss Willie Edwards married at Andalusia while the mother of the bride was dying and her father ill with pneumonia. The ceremony took place in the kitchen and the mother's soul went out between the opening and closing words of the ceremony.

### Deaf Mute Arrested.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—John Wilson, a deaf mute, who has been in the city for a day or two begging, was arrested Saturday by Chief of Police McGill on the charge of vagrancy. Wilson was using a forged letter with the name of W. B. Bankhead, of Huntsville, signed to same, recommending him very highly.

### Killed During Card Game.

Mobile, Ala.—Sheriff Powers received news of the killing at Pierce, in the northern part of this county, late Friday evening of Walter Ruffin by Walter Tate. Tate shot Ruffin in a quarrel over a card game, making good his escape.

### Killing Is Justifiable.

Dora, Ala.—Carlos Torres was killed here Tuesday by W. A. Burns. At an inquest held Friday morning Coroner Mose Newburger found the killing justifiable.

Gadsden, Ala.—The water pipe which ran along Twelfth street, has been purchased by the Forest Cemetery Company, and will be continued from Twelfth along Chestnut street to Forest Cemetery, so as to furnish ample water supply to the cemetery.

### Suicided With Scissors.

Shoffield, Ala.—The body of John Eurch has been carried to Anniston for burial and the funeral will be conducted by the Odd Fellows of that city of which body he was a well known member.

Mr. Eurch died as the result of wounds inflicted by himself with a pair of scissors. He stabbed himself in the abdomen, the back and in the temple, the last wound proving fatal.

It is said the rash deed was committed in a fit of temporary insanity. He had tried to commit suicide several times, and threatened the life of his little 14-year-old daughter. Last Saturday he locked himself in a room with her and took morphine, but was saved by the timely arrival of help, which she ran out and summoned.

### Explosion of Dynamite.

Altoona, Ala.—Last Friday night ten cases of dynamite was exploded at the tunnel on the Altoona extension wrecking the buildings and a blacksmith shop nearby. Fortunately no one was hurt. The shock was felt for miles around and was plainly felt in Gadsden. One of the employers went into the building with a gas get and in some way some dry shavings on the floor became ignited. The young man seeing that he could not extinguish the explosion came. Mr. Hardy, Pink Flowers and D. D. Gilland, employers at the tunnel, had just left the blacksmith shop which was wrecked.

### To Form Truckers' Association.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—A number of Tuscaloosa's citizens are arranging to form a truckers' association in this county. For the present their time will be devoted to the raising of peas and beans, which will be shipped to the Northern markets. A committee consisting of J. D. Foster, William Shepherd and Henry Burns have just returned from Cuba where they went to make a thorough investigation along this line. Mr. Murphy, secretary of the Truckers' Association of Etowah, is in the city in the interest of the forming of this new enterprise.

### Furnace Nearly Complete.

Gadsden, Ala.—The Alabama Steel and Wire Company will have completed its fourth open-hearth steel furnace within the next few days and it will be immediately placed in commission. The furnace is now being finished and when it is blown in the plant will have a daily capacity of 400 tons of basic steel per day and 100 or more tons of this will be put upon the market, the remainder being made up into wire and nails by the company's own mills at Ensley. It is believed that as soon as this surplus steel is provided for two more furnaces will be built completing a battery of six under the present roof space. The full complement of steel furnaces will be ten—eventually.

### Killed in the Mines.

Birmingham, Ala.—Six men were killed in the mines of Alabama during the past month, and there were eight non-fatal accidents. This is considerably below the record for January, 1904, but about the average number of killed and injured in the mines each month.

Of the six fatal accidents, one was electrocuted by breaking the insulation on an electric wire, and the remainder by falling rock.

For January, 1904, eleven were killed. Of the non-fatal accidents, five were caused by falling rock, one by flying coal and one was burned by gas.

There are four or five counties in which the titles to the superintendents of education are in dispute, the old incumbents attempting under the old election law to hold over and refusing to surrender the offices to the superintendents-elect.

Recent decisions by the Supreme Court caused this change of policy.

### General Fight at Ensley.

Ensley, Ala.—A fight took place in a little shoe shop here Saturday afternoon in which four negroes and two white men were involved. It is charged that an effort was made by a negro to steal a pair of shoes and the fight followed. Joe Dumas, white, was cut in the back several times. Felix Bird, colored, one of the negroes under arrest, is supposed to have done the cutting.

### Kinaird Dies of Wounds.

Greensboro, Ala.—Walter Kinaird, who was shot a few days ago by Allen Wilson, a deaf and dumb man, 73 years old, died today. Wilson is still in jail awaiting preliminary trial.

### Pure Water at Last.

Bessemer, Ala.—After many trials and break downs caused by defective pipe in the main supply line, pumping was resumed this morning, and the water has reached the mains of this city.

### Burned to Death.

Anniston, Ala.—Miss Rebecca Waits, who was so severely burned at her uncle's home six miles from Oxford a few days ago, died yesterday from the effects of her injuries, and was buried this morning.

### Strawberry Growing.

Greenville, Ala.—A short time ago a stock company was organized for the purpose of raising strawberries at Bolling. This corporation set 100 acres. At Carland there are a number of small growers, enough in the aggregate to ship berries in large quantities. Now another company has purchased a large tract of land at Dunham and they have organized and will be known as the Hazelton Company. This will put Butler right up in the front rank with Conecuh and some of the North Alabama counties.

This company is made up of a number of the best business men of Birmingham. They have an expert strawberry grower as manager, and as their company is capitalized at \$15,000, they will have money enough in the business to make a great success of it.

### Shooting in Cullman.

Cullman, Ala.—City Marshal Bill Schneider shot John Moulder in Frank Arndt's saloon. Schneider was attempting to arrest Moulder, and it is said that Moulder resisted and drew his knife on the officer. Others say he had his knife in his hand at the time Schneider came up and made no move with it toward Schneider. There are many conflicting stories. Schneider shot him in the breast near the center. Moulder is living at this time, but it is believed he will die. He is a married man about 30 years of age and has one or two children. He lives about one mile from town and is a farmer.

### Spargle in Trouble.

Anniston, Ala.—Charles Spargle, a young white man, is in jail at the city hall with a serious charge opposite his name on the warden's book. Spargle is charged with robbery and larceny. It is alleged that Spargle entered a private room of Mr. W. T. Grace at the peerless pool room and secured a pocketbook and contents. The pocketbook was found in his clothes when Spargle was arrested two days ago on a charge of trespassing, and Mr. Grace notified of the find. The book contained a registration certificate and a Confederate \$100 bill, with some other papers of Mr. Grace. It is claimed that the man entered the place with a key, but the pocketbook is all that was missed. Spargle claims that he found the pocketbook and intended to return it. When arrested he was in bed in the room of a man who had him arrested for trespassing.

### Will Not Hurt Mobile.

Mobile, Ala.—In regard to the story given out in New Orleans by General Agent Leach of the Mobile and Ohio, to the effect that the greater part of freight export traffic of the Mobile and Ohio would be diverted to that port as the result of newly acquired terminals there, Col. E. L. Russell, vice-president of the road, characterized the statement as preposterous, and that any arrangement affecting New Orleans will not take away any business from Mobile.

"The new business is expected to be taken away from the Atlantic ports, not from a port which we have already done much to build up," said Colonel Russell. "To show that nothing of the sort is contemplated we are going to build another dock and double story warehouse in Mobile, and the engineers have been here to lay out the work."

### Assessment Board to Meet Again.

Montgomery, Ala.—The state board of assessments at its annual meeting found that several railroad companies had neglected to send in a valuation of their property, including trackage and sidetracks, etc., and no action was taken on the railroad assessments. The delinquents will be given until Tuesday, February 21. The total assessment of the railroad property subject to the assessment of the board was \$52,000,000 last year. There is a heavy increase for 1905.

### Alabama Postmasters.

Washington.—The following postmasters have been appointed: Bastie, Pickens county, Ida A. Stacey; Dayton, Marengo county, Sarah R. Lockhart; Diamond, Marshall county, Virgil H. Copeland; Emerson, Washington county, James E. Burton; Samuel, Choctaw county, William M. Doggett.

### Wreck on Southern.

Uniontown, Ala.—A freight wreck on the Southern railway here in the early hours of Saturday morning has interrupted traffic between Selma and Demopolis all day. Three cars turned over, turning up the tracks and doing much damage, but, fortunately, no one was injured. Passenger trains from Meridian were detoured around by Akron.

### Hartford Bank Authorized.

Hartford, Ala.—The First National Bank of Hartford, has been authorized to begin business with \$30,000 capital. The officers are: Lee Burford, president; J. J. Hughes, vice-president; W. H. Bishop, cashier.

### Young Man Has Accident.

Ensley, Ala.—J. Loeb, a well-known young man who is employed at the Empire plow works, had the misfortune to have three of his fingers cut off while at work in the plant Saturday afternoon. He was running some machinery when in some manner his hand slipped, causing three fingers on his right hand to be cut off below the first joint.

He was carried to the Averitt Drug Company building, where his wounds were dressed.

## DIVERSIFICATION

Is the Keynote in an Address Issued by the Secretary: Wilson.

SOMETHING TO SELL EVERY DAY.

Will Make Farmers Independent of the Cotton Crop.—Place It on the Plane of a Surplus Crop.

The great cotton convention which was held in New Orleans last week has emphasized in no unmistakable terms that the prosperity of the South is dependent upon diversification; that the welfare and happiness of every farmer, every merchant and every banker is to have each farmer practice diversification, so that he may control his cotton instead of being controlled by it; that he must make it a surplus crop and not a sole dependent.

The South is rich in fertile lands and an equitable climate to produce all the great food crops of the world, and with live stock become the most independent and prosperous section. There is no other section of the Union that can produce as great a variety of crops as the South.

The National Cotton Association stands for the reduction of the cotton acreage and the consequent increase in diversification. Our plan is to have a community of interest between the farmer, the merchant, the banker and the local paper, for diversification along such lines as will be to the best interest of each individual community. And in this work the National Cotton Association has the support and indorsement of the farmers, the bankers, merchants, newspapers, spinners and the legitimate handlers of cotton. It also has in this the support of every friend and well-wisher of the farmer and those who are really working for the prosperity and upbuilding of the South.

There should be a community of interest and a close organization between the farmers, and bankers and the editor of each local newspaper of every school district of the south, not only as to cotton, but as to all other crops that can be raised with profit.

### What Have We Done?

The National Cotton Association has received reports from the school precinct meetings that more than 400,000 farmers, bankers and merchants are pledged to a reduction of the cotton acreage and adoption of diversification. This work will be kept up through the local committee of each school precinct cotton association until every farmer in the southern states has been pledged to diversification and a reduction of the cotton acreage.

More than 2,000 editors of local papers throughout the South have replied to our personal letters and said that they will carry a department in each issue on "Diversification."

### Diversification.

Diversification means, first, that every farmer should set aside a sufficient amount of land to produce all the food and forage he will need for his own consumption.

Second—Then plant a little more of such crops as he can sell for cash each month in the year in his local market, or, together with his neighbors, make up a shipment for the larger market, and in this each one wants the advice of his local banker, merchant and editor.

Third—When those two are provided for, then plant your cotton crop. Make cotton your surplus crop.

With the possible exception of Texas, there is not a southern state

that raises enough corn, oats and other grains to supply the home demand, and every year your cotton money goes to swell the wealth of the western grain farmer.

The following shows the production in the various cotton states of corn in 1904:

State.	Bushels.
North Carolina	40,705,478
South Carolina	22,159,837
Georgia	47,334,713
Florida	6,640,334
Alabama	41,877,165
Mississippi	39,709,664
Louisiana	27,258,443
Arkansas	43,392,614
Tennessee	30,890,025

There is no reason why the South should import corn, but there is every reason why we should not only raise enough for our own consumption but make it an article of export. Every southern state is nearer the great export markets of the world than the great Central West, which is now supplying these markets.

Start a campaign in your school precinct association for more corn. There are farmers in every community who always make a success in raising corn; let them tell you how to do it. There is more money in corn at 50 cents a bushel than cotton at 6 cents a pound.

### Resolution Adopted by the Southern Bankers at New Orleans.

"Resolved, That we, the southern bankers, heartily indorse the object of said association and promise our hearty co-operation.

"Second, That we believe that the bankers are amply able and willing to finance the holding of the surplus of the present crop, which we propose to do, provided the acreage of cotton for 1905 is reduced not less than 25 per cent, and the fertilizers in like proportion.

"Third, That we urge the necessity of a thorough organization and call on the various interests of the country to assist in keeping this question agitated from now until such time as a perfect organization shall have been affected."

Resolutions adopted at the Interstate Cotton convention, New Orleans, La.:

### Reduction of Acreage.

"We, your committee on acreage and fertilizers, do recommend that the acreage to be planted in cotton in 1905 shall be 25 per cent, less than in 1904, and that there shall be a reduction of 25 per cent, in the use of commercial fertilizers in growing cotton."

### Financing and Holding the Present Crop.

"Your committee concludes, after last night's exhaustive session and the morning's discussion, that each state and local section seems amply able to finance their present holdings. We believe the cotton now in the hands of the producer should remain at home on the farm or be stored in local warehouses, having same fully protected from the elements and dangers of fire. The banks and commission men evidence their willingness and desire to aid in marketing the balance of the crop, so as to hold in check any disposition to rush in their cotton unduly and break the market.

"We feel if the convention, as a whole, pledges itself and the respective states these delegates represent to an absolute reduction of 25 per cent, in cotton acreage for the year 1905 and 25 per cent, reduction in the use of fertilizers, the entire problem will be solved."

### Recognizes New Officers.

Montgomery, Ala.—Attorney General Massey Wilson Friday furnished State Superintendent of Education I. W. Hill with an opinion which advises him to revoke his policy of the past and recognize the new elected county superintendents of education in lieu of the old officers.

### To Make Tile Blocks.

Gadsden, Ala.—The Gadsden Tile Company is erecting a building on Locust street, opposite the Printup hotel, which will be used in the manufacture of the tile paving blocks. The building will be completed within the next day or two, when the work of making the blocks will be begun in earnest.

### Buy Land to Erect Houses.

Gadsden, Ala.—The Coosa Pipe and Foundry Company has purchased through M. W. Bush, manager, forty acres of land known as the Riverview, lying just north of the Alabama Consolidated furnace. The land was purchased from W. M. Meeks as trustee, and the price paid was \$100 per acre. The property will be used for the purpose of erecting 500 tenement houses for the employees of the pipe works. The company has an option on twelve acres adjoining the plant, and it is rumored that another large pipe plant will be erected on this land at some future time.

### New Lumber Company.

Birmingham, Ala.—The Case Lumber Company, a new industry which recently decided to locate in Birmingham district, has purchased a lot 150x 500 feet on the Birmingham belt line at North Birmingham, and will commence the erection of a plant at once.

The company will saw up hardwood logs and turn them into lumber ready for manufacturers of finished articles in hardwood. The company is capitalized at \$25,000 and will spend that amount in erecting its plant.

### Mississippi Loses.

Jackson, Miss.—A decision affecting titles to a million dollars' worth of delta lands in Washington county was rendered by the government land office. The register decides that the state of Mississippi has no title under the swamp act of 1850.

Mahanoy City, Pa.—Mrs. Thilghman Craigie is dead at Quakake, at the age of 102 years. She spent her life on a farm and was the mother of fourteen children.

### Ten Millions Are Saved.

Brownwood, Tex.—The following signed statement has been issued by C. H. Jenkins, of the executive committee of the Southern Cotton Growers' Association:

"Since the first call was issued for the farmers to organize for the purpose of securing a 25 per cent, reduction of acreage, and fertilizers, cotton has advanced \$2.50 per bale. Upon the basis of four million bales being still in the hands of the producers, this means a gain of \$10,000,000 to the cotton growers of the South. If the farmers and business men of the South will stand by the program agreed upon at the New Orleans convention, this gain will amount to forty millions of dollars on the crop in hand by June 1, and the gain on the next crop will be at least one hundred and twenty-five million dollars. Can we afford to pay something in labor and in money for such a consummation as this?"

"The essentials are reduction in the next crop, and holding the present crop. The present crop cannot be held economically without warehouses; therefore, my advice is to build warehouses and do it now. Let the farmers and business men of every country get together at once and raise the necessary fund to build a warehouse."

"C. H. JENKINS.

"Member of the Executive Committee Southern Cotton Growers' Association."

### Cut Each Other.

Birmingham, Ala.—"Rube" Freddy and Albert Irwin, two well-known young white men about town, cut each other pretty badly Friday night about 7 o'clock in the pool room in the Florence hotel. The fight was the result of a dispute over a game of pool which, it is said, Freddy tried to break up.

As the result of the fight Freddy is at St. Vincent's hospital with three long cuts across his shoulders and down his back, and Albert Irwin is out, but less dangerously. Irwin is employed in the pool room. Neither has been arrested.

Freddy was drinking and came into the pool room and interfered with a game. Irwin asked him to stop and he replied with profane language. The two commenced fighting and drew knives.

The physicians had to take thirty-six stitches in one of the cuts in Freddy's back, and a few less in the other two cuts. The wounds are not fatal.

### Unknown Man Killed.

Elmore, Ala.—The body of a white man killed by a Louisville and Nashville freight train at Elmore station was taken to Montgomery Friday night.

Conductor Brooks says that he noticed the young man just before the train went into the Elmore sidetrack. The man, he says, was neatly dressed, his overcoat and clothes well fitting and wore kid gloves. In fact he looked as if he had been to a dance at Deatsville, where it is thought that he boarded the freight train to come to Montgomery.

Conductor Brooks says that there were no papers or means of identification of any kind on the man, but it was supposed that he was a Montgomery boy who had been to a country dance and was trying to get home quickly.

Unless something is heard from the family or friends of the dead man this morning the body will be buried by the Louisville and Nashville railroad.

### Wenobee Ordered Sold.

Roanoke, Ala.—Chancellor Whiteside has made a decree ordering the sale of the Wenobee cotton mills, which are located near Roanoke, in Randolph county. Mr. J. A. Williams, of LaFayette, is the receiver and he will advertise and sell the property, which is valued at \$15,000. The chancellor reserved his decision on other questions in the case.

### City Flooded With Water.

London.—The forty-two-inch main supplying Liverpool with water burst at Elton, Terpoley, Saturday morning and twenty million gallons of water was liberated. The surrounding country is inundated and roads changed into deep channels. Enormous damage but no fatalities.

### Two Men Killed in Jasper County.

Jasper, Ala.—There was a killing at Horse Creek late Tuesday afternoon. The particulars are not known further than that a man by the name of Wiley Burns killed an Italian whose name is not known. Coroner Mose Newburger went over to hold an inquest, accompanied by Sheriff Moore and County Solicitor Ernest Lacy.

### Arrested for Starting Fires.

Charleston, S. C.—The police arrested Raymond Bowman, a young white man, on the charge of starting a series of fires in hay warehouses during the past few weeks. It is said that he has practically confessed to all the charges.

### Radium Mine Is Discovered.

Paris.—An important discovery of a radium in the department of Senecet-Loire, is interesting scientific circles. Professor Curie's assistant is conducting the exploitation.

### Falls Through Bridge.

Selma, Ala.—D. P. Smith, of this city, plunged into the river from the open drawbridge, breaking a leg, but escaping with his life. He swam to the shore. The bridge had been left open for the passage of boats.

### POOR MAN!

We may talk of man's strength, his genius and power. And how he can force other mortals to cower. Of these things it's easy to prate by the hour! But it's queer, ever since this old planet began, What a poor weak woman can do to a man.

She comes into his office to sell him a book. An affront from a male that he never would brook. But all she must do is to give him a look And he buys every one that he possibly can. Just because she's a woman and he is a man.

He comes home at night, tired out with his work. And anxious all further endeavor to shrink. But his dress suit goes on with a frown and she jerks. For his wife for the evening's concocted a plan. And he goes—she's a woman and he's but a man.

She walks into the stanchest and strongest of banks. In the president's office her beauty she plunks. And draws several thousand and pays him in thanks. She oughtn't to do it, but really she can. Because she's a woman and he is a man.

When he wants to be naughty she makes him behave. For her sake a coward wish to try to brave. She makes him right gladly perform as her slave. Because she's a woman and he is a man. —Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

## JUST FOR FUN



Nelle—She suffered in silence. Frances—I'll bet she suffered.—Punch Bowl.

Fuddy—They say Pinchley has money to burn. Duddy—That's because he never burns any.—Boston Transcript.

Mrs. Nurox—What book can I get that will fit me to enter the best society? Mrs. Bluxox—Have you tried the 'check book'?—Cleveland Leader.

The Lawyer—H'm! What makes you think you wish to study to become a lawyer? The applicant—Well, me folks object to me bein' a burglar. —Judge.

Larry—When th' doctor came to vaccinate yez did yez roll up yez slave? Denny—Shure. Oi pulled up both av thim awn darsed him to come outside. —Chicago Daily News.

Excited Committeeman—My! You're here at last! I thought you were going to disappoint us. Lecturer—I am. Just talking the audience while I'm waiting.—Baltimore American.

"To what account shall we charge these new battleships?" asked the Russian treasury official. "The sinking fund," answered his superior wearily.—Washington Star.

Bill—Did you ever notice how many tall men you meet in a day? Jill—No, but I've often noticed how many short men one meets when he wants a loan.—Yonkers Statesman.

"Is this true about Silas gettin' swindled in a horse trade?" "Well, he says so." "He's a fool not to keep it quiet, then. How does he expect to work off the horse?"—Puck.

"Has your husband a steady job now?" "It's almost steady, sir; he goes to work at 4:30 in the morning and works till 12:30 at night; but they give him time out for meals, sir."—Cleveland Leader.



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Such as life in the Klondike. This could have been very appropriately said of the Sunny South-land for the past few days.

Tom Watson before the cotton growers convention gave some timely advice, as well as did Commissioner Pool and many other smart men who made addresses on that occasion.

Birmingham was the victim of something like a two hundred thousand dollar fire last Saturday night. Several of the prominent wholesale houses on Morris avenue being destroyed.

The farmers of Perry county have become interested in the tobacco traffic and the government will furnish them an expert to superintend the planting and raising about 50 acres of the weed.

Carrie assumed one of her smashing spells in last week's issue and from the volleys turned loose one would think the earth was going to tremble and fall. But strange to say, nothing has happened worse than a few days rain and sleet.

The three thousand men who attended the New Orleans convention gave Tom Watson a great ovation. The fact of the business is this, aside from politics, Watson had fought the jute bagging trust years ago, and has always been on the people's side and the delegates knew it.

At Windsor, Vt., it is probable that Mrs. Mary Rodgers will die on the gallows for the murder of her husband, and it is said the sheriff, whose duty it is to hang this woman, has backed down and his deputy will have to spring the trap. The deputy must be a candidate for sheriff.

"Go to Kansas, where was produced Mary Yellen Lease, Sockless Jerry and Mr. Peffer and his whiskers, a State that during the years of drouths and hot winds a Populist convention could be found under every blade of grass; a state which tried the experiment of a Populist Governor and who brought the State almost to the verge of bankruptcy; will you find a Populist in the legislature of that State?"—Sentinel.

Carrie, in her vile clamoring last week, among many other misrepresentative citations, refers us to her home State, and though a routine of prominent Populist are mentioned, nothing is said of them returning to the democratic fold, and strange to say, too, nothing is said of why "Carrie" herself is now in Alabama, where as it happened, by the chicanery and thievery of the democratic party for the last 20 years, that party has succeeded in thwarting the will of the people and defeating the ends of justice, as a result, the party is in power. Did the Populist make it too hot for Carrie up there? Carrie takes a delight in pointing out the few States in the United States where it is claimed the Populist have lost ground, but the one-sided "smash-er" has nothing to say of the wholesale landslide of the last November election over the democratic party. If space would allow us, we could mention the various States where the democrats have no say and have lost out from every point of view. The result of the last election is enough to convince the most blinded partisan of the above assertion. Carrie continues to bellow and howl over the remnant of the democratic party in this county, when the fact of business is, it is said that there are only two or three representatives and one or two senators at the White House now who will claim to be democrats. The fact of the business, in all those States mentioned in the long "rig-a-me-row" of hot air of last week, the great number of Populist mentioned are still there and many new recruits are being daily added. Carrie's hot air and smashing qualities doesn't have much effect in this county.

## WATSON BEFORE THE COTTON GROWERS.

Great Convention at New Orleans Goes Wild Over People's Champion. Ovation After His Address Borders Closely on Pandemonium.

From the New Orleans Times-Democrat, Jan. 26th, 1905.

Presenting two contrasting styles of oratory, the Hon. Thomas E. Watson and Capt. Richmond E. Hobson were heard by the cotton convention last night. The demonstration given Mr. Watson was overwhelming in its intensity, while but two or three ripples of applause were accorded the hero of the Merrimac.

The two men were placed in what may be called an oratorical contest by a parliamentary slip, which made the time allotted Mr. Watson but little more than one-half hour. And Mr. Watson profited by the slip.

Upon being introduced, Mr. Watson faced his audience, already fired by his appearance, and after paying a graceful tribute to Capt. Hobson, he explained the difficulty of time, and, insisting that it would cause embarrassment, both to himself and Capt. Hobson, wished to withdraw in his favor and to give him unlimited time.

This fanned the flame of enthusiasm that had been kindled, and loudly the delegates clamored for the Georgia orator. He then said:

"Please don't misunderstand me. I have no idea that he would abuse that courtesy. I would listen to his address with more pleasure than you could possibly listen to mine, and when the captain finishes what I know will be a magnificent oration, I will then address you without embarrassment to him or to myself. Allow me to do that."

However, when Mr. Watson resumed his seat so loud and insistent were the calls that he was compelled to again arise. A motion had been introduced whereby his time was unlimited. The ease of the speaker, his clear sighted statements of his position upon the issues under discussion and the brilliancy of his power of oratory gradually worked his audience to the stage of enthusiasm where hats fly in the air and yells supplant shouts.

The ovation accorded the speaker after he completed his address bordered closely on pandemonium. Those upon the platform flocked about him and others jumped upon the stage to grasp his hand. Not content to see him from the stage, he was dragged from the platform and compelled to meander through the hall and receive the homage of the different delegations, while cheer upon cheer was given in his honor.

MR. WATSON'S ADDRESS.

"I beg leave, fellow members of the convention, to call to your attention some preliminary facts before going further into an argument about our condition. The first that I beg to call your attention to is the fact that three years ago there was an overproduction of coffee. The usual world's consumption of coffee is 16,000,000 bags, and three years ago there was an overproduction of 14,000,000 bags. Coffee is controlled by a trust. They absolutely fix the price, just as the Standard Oil Company fixes the price of oil. What has been the result? With almost twice as much coffee for years, as the world was able to buy, the price of coffee has not declined, but has steadily advanced during all that time. (Applause.)"

"What has become of the 14,000,000 bags surplus? The coffee trust retired it three years ago from the market, and its still retired from the market. They were able to do it from their standpoint. There was necessity for doing it; they did it, and what has been the result? They not only kept up the price of coffee to its former standard, but during the three years in which they had advanced it, and in the following years in which they will still advance it, they will compel the users of coffee to pay, in that additional price, every dollar that, that surplus coffee is worth. (Applause.)"

"That's one fact. Another to which I call your attention. It is this: That a few years ago, just preceding the jute bagging fight, there was a corner on cotton in New York; a full supply across the water. The bulls having entirely the advantage of the bears, it was impossible for the bears in this country to deliver spot cotton, and they were up against the necessity of delivering, not fictitious, but spot."

"In order to get what they had to have under their contracts to save themselves from bankruptcy, the wires carried the message to Liverpool and the ships brought the cotton back to New York, and it was that spot cotton brought in under free trade that saved the shorts, saved the bears from the merciless grasp of the bulls, thus putting down the price of cotton to where the short speculator could settle with safety to himself. (Applause.) Continued next week."

St. Valentine's day will be coming around again soon, and somebody will be guessing.

## Local Taxation for Public Schools.

All persons are agreed on the value of good schools to any community, and the importance of maintaining these schools is recognized by all progressive and intelligent citizens; but the class who need them most, the great masses of the people, are the ones less able to support them in the way of tuition, incidentals, etc., and the State with her munificent donation of over One Million Dollars for this purpose, can do no more. How then can the momentous problem be solved? To my mind there is but one feasible plan, satisfactory to all, which will lighten the burden of each individual, and yet raise the aggregate in each district, so as to add fifty per cent to the general fund and run the schools twice as long. This remedy is to levy a special tax for school purposes, as is being done in all counties elsewhere in Alabama. Shall Shelby county lag behind her sister counties in this matter? My fellow citizens! We MUST educate our boys and girls or we must take a back seat. Can we afford to let a sickly sentimentality as to increase of taxes deprive our dear children of the greatest blessings we can confer on them? Fifteen cents on the Hundred Dollars, means One Hundred Thousand to them socially, mentally and commercially. Can we be "Penny wise and pound foolish" in such a vital matter? Nay, verily! Awake ye fathers and mothers! The opportunity has come. Will you avail yourselves of it? We owe it to our children, we owe it to our State to provide better rural schools, better school houses and better teachers. We can not get the latter without better salaries. The teachers now are far better than their pay. Show me where the pay is best, and I will show you where the teacher is best. Take Texas for an example, or any other State with a large public fund. Shall Alabama's progress in educational lines continue to be measured by the outside world, by what Booker Washington is doing, or W. H. Council? Have we not pride enough to show up better white schools, better pay, better results for the white race? Let us then awake from our lethargy.

Ten cents on every One Hundred Dollars increases the tax on One Dollar per year on One Thousand Dollars, or fifteen cents on the Hundred, makes the tax on the Thousand One Dollar and fifty cents per year. This is indeed a small matter. Some spend four times as much for tobacco or a circus, or other trivial expense. Yet this will increase the general fund to Four Thousand Dollars per year, or an average of about Ninety Dollars to each district in the County. Now this is quite a raise and sufficient to procure high grade and more experienced teachers, and secure longer terms.

Let us then be about this business in earnest. Talk about it to your neighbors! Write about it! Preach about it, and let us not rest until we place Shelby County on the plane of her sister counties in the State, and our schools will become our boast and our pride.

We can do our State no better act than to educate our children for the best possible citizenship; and he who does less than this is not only wanting in true conception of filial love and duty, but is in want of the essentials of patriotism.

W. H. Sturdivant.

## Notice to Farmers!

To the members of the Cotton Growers' Protective Association of Shelby county:

You are hereby requested to meet at your respective beats or school districts, on Saturday, Feb. 11th, 1905, for the purpose of electing three representatives from each beat to a county association to be held at Columbiana on Thursday, Feb. 16th, 1905.

Respectfully,  
W. A. TALLANT,  
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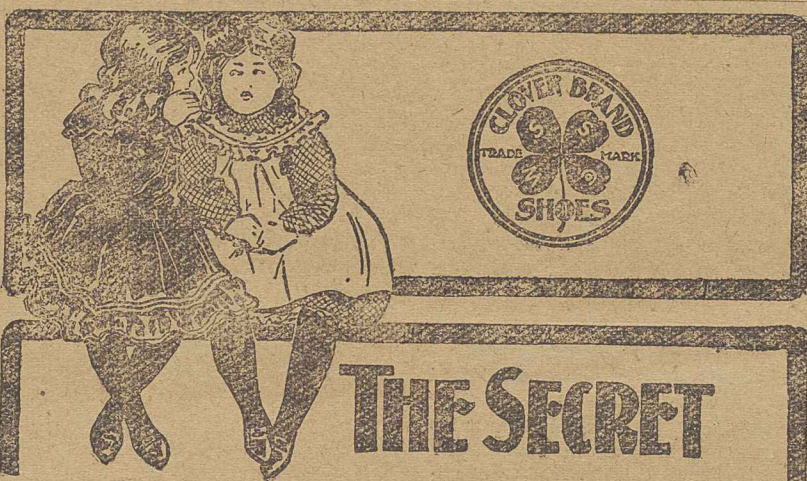
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The entire collection of 25 Departments Suffer Terrific Mark Downs! Many small lots of various merchandise are being constantly closed out at less than FIFTY CENTS on the dollar. The entire month of February we intend to demonstrate our absolute leadership in value-giving by distributing broadcast to all who come of the Most Remarkable Merchandise Values Ever Witnessed in Columbiana.

The "Rummage" Sale as Inaugurated on Wednesday, February 1st, is Town and Country Talk, and the Sale is winning More Friends for this Store than any Similar Event Ever Promulgated by this Concern. As told before, WE ARE OVERSTOCKED—Certain Stocks and Departments have far too much Merchandise for this season of the year. WE MUST UNLOAD AND UNLOAD QUICKLY—Hence the "RUMMAGE SALE." Scattered throughout the store are hundreds of Counters, special tables and groups of Rummage Merchandise of all Classes and Kinds to be Closed Out at a Tremendous Sacrifice. READ THIS "AD" CAREFULLY. Many of the best items were left out for want of space. Be on hand WITHOUT FAIL during this Month and get your share of the

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Ladies' Ready-to-wear! Greatest Sacrifice ever known. 25 only Ladies', all-wool tailored suits, were \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00; this sale to go at \$5.50. One lot Children's Reefers were \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00; this sale \$1.00. One lot Ladies' Jackets and Tourist Coats were \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00; this sale \$4.98. One lot Baby Cloaks \$1.50, and \$2.00; Rummage Sale price 98 cts. Another lot was 75 cts, \$1.00 and \$1.25; now 48 cts. One lot Ladies' Water Proof Skirts were \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50; now 98 cts. One lot Black, Brown and Blue Venetian, nicely tailored, were \$5.00, \$6.00 and \$7.00; now \$3.98. Corsets, Corsets, Corsets, Corsets! R. & G. and W. & B. in this sale 50 cents on \$1.00. Ladies, Misses and Childrens Walking and Trimmed Hats 50 cents on the \$1.00.	Double width Cashmere in all colors, were 15 and 25 cents; this sale 10 cents. Single Worsteds in Gray only, was 10 and 12 1/2 cents; this sale 7 1/2 cents. One lot Woolen Dress Goods was 50, 75 and \$1.00; this sale 38 cents per yard. One lot light colored Percales, 36 inch wide, sells everywhere at 12 1/2 cents; to go in this sale at 7 1/2 cents. 3000 Remnants of Chambray, worth 10 cents yard; goes in this sale at 7 1/2 cents. Big lot Children's, Boy's and Misses Union Suits, were 35, 40 and 50 cents; goes in this sale at 22 cents. Lot of Ladies' Union Suits, were 50 and 75 cents kind; this sale at 39 cents. Ladies' Ribbed Vests were 25 and 35 cents; to go at 18 cents. Another lot worth 50 cents to go in at 23 cents. All kinds of gentlemen's underwear to go in same proportion.	One lot of fine silk Waists in all colors, that were \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00 values; to go in this sale at \$2.98. Be sure and come quick. One lot Woolen Shirt Waists were \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00; this sale at \$2.48. Another lot was \$2.00, \$2.50; this sale at 89 cents. CLOTHING! CLOTHING!! CLOTHING!! All our Clothing to go in this Sale at 50 per cent. discount. Boy's and Youths Suits to go likewise. HATS! HATS!! HATS!!! All to go at 33 1/2 off. All kinds of Curtain Serim worth 10 cents; to go in this sale at 4 cents. 50 Pieces Apron Gingham, worth 7 1/2 cents; to go in this sale at 5 cents per yard. Big Lot Jeans was 20 cents per yard; now 12 cents per yard. 30 cents Jeans at 18 cents yard. A few nice Overcoats to go at your own price or 50 cents on \$1.00.



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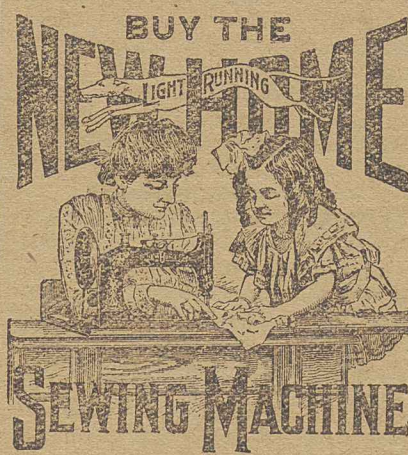
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Account Mardi Gras Celebration, March 2nd to 7th, 1905.

On account of the above occasion the Southern Railway will sell excursion tickets at the very low rate of one fare plus 25 cents for the round trip. Tickets will be sold from March 1st to 6th inclusive; also for trains scheduled to arrive at destination before noon of the 7th, with final limit returning March 11th, 1905. The final limit may be extended until March 25th by depositing ticket with Joint Agent and upon payment of a fee of 50 cents. For further particulars call on any Southern Railway Agent.

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## Social and Local News.

County court February 20.

See Sheriff's sale in this issue.

A. H. Avery, of Shelby, was in the city Friday.

G. R. McEwen, of beat 9, was in the city Saturday.

George Bird was on the sick list several days last week.

W. J. Sewell, of Weldon, spent a few days here last week.

C. E. Hale, of Saginaw, was in town Friday on business.

Eddie Barnett visited relatives in Birmingham last week.

J. H. Robertson spent Sunday near Wilsonville with relatives.

Laurant at College Hall next Wednesday night. Go hear him.

Max Lefkowitz visited relatives in Talladega Monday and Tuesday.

Wales Wallace returned Monday from a few days visit to relatives at Klein.

J. T. Cromwell, who has been sick for several days, is able to be up again.

A truly wonderful performance was given by Laurant—Leder, Jackson, Miss.

The oyster supper given at the Central Hotel last Thursday night was a success.

Mrs. Bell Wooddall, of Shelby, visited relatives in the city a short while Monday.

F. M. Hallmark, of Selma, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city with his family.

Be sure and go out to the College Hall next Wednesday night and see a good play.

E. S. Lyman, of Montevallo, was in the city Tuesday and Wednesday on business.

Miss Gertrude Roberts, of Birmingham, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Miss Janie Wallace visited relatives at Klein Saturday and Sunday, returning Monday.

Dr. B. F. Howell, of New Orleans, was in town a short while Wednesday of last week.

Rev. Will O'Hara, of Montgomery, visited the family of Rev. C. W. O'Hara last Thursday.

E. B. Teague, of Birmingham, visited relatives and friends in the city Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Grace Walker has resigned her position at the Columbiana Mercantile Co., as cashier.

E. W. Chapman, of Montevallo, has been in the city a few days this week talking insurance.

Rev. Joseph Duglinson filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

Dr. C. T. Acker and wife are now boarding with Rev. J. G. Walker on West College street.

Dr. E. C. Parker, of Gulf Port, Miss., attended the funeral of his little 3-year old daughter here on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. C. T. Acker, who has been in a hospital in Birmingham for several weeks, returned home Saturday much improved in health.

Laurant, the Magician and Illusionist, will appear at the College Hall next Wednesday night, Feb. 15th. Go out and hear something good.

Mrs. Susan Steel, wife of P. F. Steel, died at the home of father, L. Q. Gould, near Summer Hill Tuesday morning, after an illness of several months. Her remains were laid to rest in the Summer Hill cemetery Wednesday. The Advocate extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

Little Mildred, the 3 year old daughter of Dr. E. C. Parker, died of diphtheria at the home of H. M. Cowling in Montgomery on Tuesday afternoon of last week, and her remains were brought here the following day and laid to rest in the city cemetery. This little girl was a favorite with all who knew her, and though it is hard to give her up, she has only gone to join her mother gone before a few years ago. The Advocate extends sympathy to the bereaved husband and relatives.

When bilious try a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and realize for once how quickly a first-class up-to-date medicine will correct the disorder. For sale by Williams Brothers.

Laurant gave a wonderful performance.—Star, Anniston, Ala.

Read the advertisements in this week's paper; you will profit by so doing.

All who saw Mr. Laurant last night will be glad to see him again.—Press, Cleveland, Ohio.

We have several communications that had to be left out this week, but we will publish all of them next week without fail, and more if sent in.

A quiet marriage was solemnized at the home Mr. H. M. Norris of this city last Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Judge A. P. Longshore officiating, the contracting parties were Mr. Leo Friedberger and Miss Pearl Norris. Mr. Friedberger is a prominent young merchant of this place, and Miss Norris was the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Norris. Mr. and Mrs. Friedberger are domiciled at the home of Mr. Norris for the present. May they live long and prosper.

A FRIEND.

## FOUR PAPERS FOR \$2.00.

The Weekly Constitution, Sunny South, Southern Agriculturist and the Peoples Advocate. Now is the time to subscribe. Send all orders to the Advocate office.

## The School Fund.

Editor Advocate—I see that the special school tax for Shelby county is now being agitated to some extent. This is one of the most important moves that could possibly be inaugurated. The power of local taxation is now ours; the citizens have the right to vote upon this most important problem. They have it in their power to supplement the State funds in the most practical way. Why not do so? Why not increase the funds for the rural schools sufficiently to pay teachers to teach those schools? It can be done by county taxation. Every patriotic citizen should seriously consider this proposition. It is one which concerns the intellectual welfare of the future citizenship of the county and State.

A large number of counties have already voted for special taxes for the schools. Those counties will have good schools of longer terms. They will have more efficient teachers. Why? Because there will be sufficient funds to justify young men and women to prepare for the noble profession of teaching. One correspondent says, "we need nothing but a thorough preparation." I at once admit that a thorough preparation of the teacher is necessary, but what is there in the common rural school to justify a young person to spend three or four years in school preparing to teach? What is there to induce one to make a thorough preparation when he knows that the average rural school does not pay more than \$35 or \$40 per month, and that for only four or five months? Teachers will drift to those counties where local taxation exist, and as there are not enough to supply the schools of the State, those counties which refuse local taxation will have fewer teachers even than now. Yes, and Shelby will be one of them. Let us weigh these things and see if we do not need local taxation to further the educational work of the county.

Respectfully,  
J. M. Rich.

In this issue we publish as much as we can of the speech of Hon. Thos. E. Watson, before the cotton growers convention at New Orleans. This speech is taken from the New Orleans Times Democrat by the Missouri World and we copy it from the World. It is a noticeable fact, that we have been unable to see this speech in any of the Alabama newspapers, yet we have seen an account of Capt. Hobson's, Commissioner Pool and other addresses. It is enough to say, however, that the speech of Watson himself, shows the spirit of the man by whom it was made, and there could have been no excuse, other than a selfish one in the newspapers of this State in refusing to print or even mention the address of Mr. Watson. It is a noticeable fact too, that the New Orleans Times Democrat, is a democratic newspaper, and this paper is to be commended to the world for its fairness and manhood in giving the proceedings of the convention without fear or favor. It is indeed a sad commentary to see that Alabama's newspapers have such little backbone. Watson's speech will be continued in our next issue.

## County Court Jurors.

The following is a list petit jurors drawn to serve at the February term of County Court, which convenes on February 20th:

F. A. Lynch, W. G. Skelton, O. S. Lybrand, W. G. Martin, A. L. Blackmon, L. A. Smith, F. M. Lee, Tom Lawley, Isaac Howard, J. H. McMillan, W. S. Hartsfield, J. M. Johnson, W. S. McEwen, J. W. Ellenburg, Frank Allen, A. J. E. Cross, J. A. Shirley, H. A. Worthing, J. J. Lovett, Geo. W. Green, W. T. Dunnaway, H. O. Bassett, Lewis Horton, E. B. Horton.

## An Open Letter.

Farmer, Ala., Jan. Jan. 28, 1905.

To W. A. Tallant, President of Cotton Growers Protective Association of Shelby county:

Dear Sir and Friend,—I returned yesterday from the convention at New Orleans, and am glad I went there, for no man who had the good fortune to attend that convention can now have any doubts or misgivings as to the result of our organization. Its true there were men there who had come all the way from New York to thwart the action of the cotton growers, and if possible, prevent organization. To illustrate there chances to accomplish this, I will compare them to a single grain of sand on the sea shore. I will not attempt to give you any of the details of the convention in this short letter, except to say that a firm compact and permanent organization, covering the entire cotton producing belt of the world, was inaugurated, with the best interest of the Southern people as its object and purpose. I was favorably impressed with the opening ceremonies which invoked the blessings of deity upon our deliberations. Earnestness, conservatism and unanimity was pictured on the countenances of nearly three thousand delegates to this convention, of whom nearly all were farmers. Good will and friendship seemed to prevail the entire meeting, and in this connection I wish to say that I did not see a single delegate drunk or disorderly or hear one use bad language during the convention. In conclusion, will say, I am proud of the honor and distinction shown me in connection with Mr. J. F. Pope, of Wilsonville, to represent Shelby county in this convention.

Yours very respectfully,  
Hosea Pearson.

## FRAUD EXPOSED.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to be aware of such people, who seek to profit, through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing disease, for over 35 years. A sure protection, to you, is our name on the wrapper. Look for it, on all Dr. King's or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. BUCKLEN & CO., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada.

## Card of Thanks.

We desire to return our sincere thanks to our friends and the good people of Columbiana for their kindness to our loved one, Clement Cromwell Waterworth, during her long illness and recent death.

T. H. Waterworth,  
John T. & Emily Cromwell,  
Mrs. J. W. M. Page,  
Mrs. F. Marion Johnson,  
Mrs. Leroy Wooddall,  
Joe R. Cromwell.

## GRAVE TROUBLE FORSEEN.

It needs but little foresight, to tell, that when your stomach and liver are badly affected, grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened, and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters, I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved me. I lost medicine for weak women. Sold by Williams Bros. and Latham Drug Co., druggist, at 50c a bottle."

A woman is mighty truthful not to be suspicious about what makes a man swear off.

W. J. Nelson, of Shelby Springs, is serving as a United States grand juror in Birmingham this week.

Now is the time to subscribe for the 4 papers.

Mr. Wm. S. Crane, of California, Md., suffered for years from rheumatism and lumbago. He was finally advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which he did and it effected a complete cure. This liniment is for sale by Williams Brothers.

## Sunday School Association.

The twenty-second annual Convention of the Alabama Sunday School Association will be held in the city of Birmingham, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 25-27 next. The basis of representation is as follows: All officers of the State Association, five delegates at large from each county, all ministers of the Gospel, the Superintendent and two other delegates from each Sunday school.

The railroads of the State have granted a rate of one and one-third fare, on the certificate plan, to delegates attending the Convention. The delegates will be entertained by the Sunday school workers of Birmingham.

## POISONS IN FOOD.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food or money back. 25c at Williams Bros., and Latham Drug Co's, drug store. Try them.

## Winter Tourist Rates.

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(Morris Hotel Building) Agent.

## Dargin.

Well, how was Friday, Saturday and Sunday for weather.

M. S. Wilson, of Campranch, was in our community last Wednesday. Frank Wilson is on the sick list this week.

Dr. H. C. Land was in our town last week testing eyes and fitting glasses for those that needed them.

Dow Evans has been sick for several days.

Mr. Littleton, who has been sick for several days, is able to be up.

J. M. Baker moved last Monday to Coalville, where he has a position. We are sorry to have Mr. Baker and family leave us, and wish them well in their new home.

J. S. Evans went up to Birmingham last week on business.

Mrs. T. M. Duncan has been sick for several days.

Heustis and Albert Duncan and Dock Lyons went up to Coalville last week to move Mr. Baker.

The farmers of Campranch and Dargin met at Campranch on last Wednesday night and organized The Farmers Industrial and Co-operative Union of America. They elected the following officers: For President, T. M. Duncan; for Vice-President, M. S. Wilson; for Secretary and Treasurer, W. H. Lyons; Door Keeper, Walter Ozley; Conductor, Gus Marcus. They organized with a membership of 15 to begin with. This a move in the right direction. Let the good work go on.

Well, we notice that Mr. Bearden, of Summer Hill, did not think our plan of raising the school fund advisable. In support of our plan we will add, that there are about one-third of the people that have children of school age that don't pay any tax except poll tax, and the plan of Mr. Bearden would put the burden on those that pay taxes on real estate and personal property above the amount exempt by law. While our plan would be "equal rights to all and special favors to none." And we think it would be well enough for the Supt. of Education to call a meeting of the County School Board, together with the Trustees of the several districts, at an early date and see if they can fit on some plan that would be preferable and give us quicker relief than writing through the papers. We will say "amen" to any way out of the present predicament.

## Buffalo Bill &amp; Co.

## FOUND A CURE FOR INDIGESTION.

I use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets for indigestion and find that they suit my case better than any dyspepsia remedy I have ever tried. I have used many different remedies. I am nearly fifty-one years of age and have suffered a great deal from indigestion. I can eat almost anything I want to now.—Geo. W. Emory, Rock Mills, Ala. For sale by Williams Brothers.

## Card of Thanks.

Editor Advocate:—Will you give us space in your paper to give thanks to the good people of this community for the kind-hearted acts rendered by them to us during the illness of our mother, Mrs. Gilbert, in her last days. They came to us from far and near, with christian hearts wide open, and we can't praise them too much; it makes us feel like we are in a land and among christians truly of God. While her real illness was a short duration, but had lingered for some weeks before she past away on the 27th of this month, and a rain we want to thank the kind-hearted physicians, Drs. J. H. Gunn and C. C. Oliver for their kind and skilled services rendered; it seemed they did all in their power, but all failed; and we also want to tender our thanks to Mr. Lowrey, the stable man, for his open hearted deed for service rendered by him in time of trouble and distress.

R. H. AND R. F. LONG,  
Calera, Ala., Jan. 30th, 1905.

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## Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a Fi. Fa. issued from the City Court of Birmingham, Jefferson County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House door, in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 20th day of Feb. 1905, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One roan mare, about 12 years old, named Rob, and one black mare mule 4 years old, named Kate.

Levied upon as the property of W. H. Prentiss, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of John H. Wallace, Trustee.

This 1st day of February, 1905.

R. F. COX, Sheriff.

## Probate Notice.

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co. Probate Court, Special Term, January 27th, 1905.

Estate of Jno. W. Naish, Deceased.

The said estate having been reported insolvent by Wesley Ozley, the 27th day of February, 1905, has been appointed to hear and determine upon said report. All parties having an interest in said estate are hereby cited to be and appear at my office, at the Court House of said county, on said day, to contest the same, if you think proper.

Witness my hand, at office this 27th day of January, 1905.

A. P. LONGSHORE, Judge.

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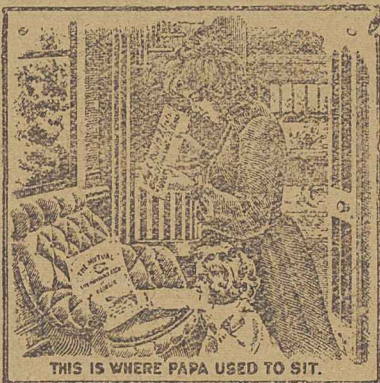
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Cholly—"But—aw—why do you say you don't like my face?"  
Miss Pert—"Because."  
Cholly—"Ah! but that's not a proper answer; there's no reason in that."  
Miss Pert—"Well, there's none in your face, either."—Philadelphia Press.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.  
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**Macaroni Wheat.**  
Salzer's strain of this Wheat is the kind which laughs at droughts and the elements and positively mocks Black Rust, that terrible scourge!  
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**Could Not Agree.**  
It was at one time arranged that Dante Gabriel Rossetti, his brother William and Swinburne and George Meredith should live together in a certain house. Meredith happened to see Dante Gabriel Rossetti at breakfast and changed his plans. Meredith himself tells the story: "It was past noon," he says. "Rossetti had not yet risen, though it was an exquisite day. On the breakfast table on a huge dish rested five thick slabs of bacon, upon which five rigid eggs had slowly bled to death. Presently Rossetti appeared in his dressing gown, with slippers down at heel and devoured the dainty repast like an ogre." That meal was too much for Meredith—and he sacrificed three months rent rather than see it repeated.

The first ocean cable cost \$1,250,000, exclusive of instruments.  
The Swiss authorities are about to adopt khaki for soldiers' uniforms.  
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The town of Charlottetown, near Berlin, has an open-air school.  
Piso's Care for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1905.  
The sale of automobiles in Russia is growing rapidly.

**From Arctic Regions.**  
Menie, a Greenland Eskimo boy, is one of the most interesting of the pupils in the public schools of New York city. He was brought to New York by Lieutenant Peary and has been transformed from a blubber-eating Arctic nomad into a clever young Americaner bright in his studies, and captain of a baseball team. The tribe to which he belongs is very small, comprising less than 250 persons, and they are the northernmost known inhabitants of the globe, dwelling in complete isolation on the barren shores of Smith sound, on the west coast of Greenland—a region of indescribable desolation and gloom.

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**Paved With Glass.**  
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**Many Disappearances.**  
No fewer than 35,262 cases of disappearances were turned over to the London police last year, and in less than half was any trace of the missing persons discovered. In other words, something like fifty Londoners disappear every day of the year, so completely that nothing more is ever heard of them.

**Secret of Longevity.**  
A London newspaper has been asking a number of very old men for the secret of their long life. The replies are of the sort commonly heard. One lives long because he has taken wine every day in moderation, another because he has never tasted wine; one finds sovereign virtue in moderate physical exercise, another is convinced that he lives long because he keeps his body quiet and his mind active. All of which means that each man has followed his natural inclination, never exceeded the measure fixed by good sense, and really thought little or nothing about it.

**Age and Diplomacy.**  
While corporations are refusing to employ men older than thirty-five years, Joseph H. Choate, at the age of seventy-three, is to return to the active practice of the law in New York city. There are undoubtedly many corporations as well as individuals who will be glad to avail themselves of Mr. Choate's services, despite the fact that he is more than twice as old as the age limit which has been arbitrarily set by so many employers.

Mr. Choate's successor, Whitelaw Reid, is sixty-seven. So is General Horace Porter, ambassador to France. Powell Clayton, ambassador to Mexico, is seventy-one. Charlemagne Tower, ambassador to Germany, is fifty-seven, the age of Bellamy Storer, ambassador to Austria-Hungary. R. S. McCormick, ambassador to Russia, is fifty-five. The only American ambassador who is not yet fifty is George Von L. Meyer, who represents the republic in Rome. He is forty-six. John Hay, the secretary of state, is sixty-six.

**What the Chemist Showned.**  
The chemist of the South Dakota food commission extracted enough coal tar from a bottle of port wine taken from an original package in the presence of members of the legislature to dye a brilliant wine color nine square feet of heavy woolen cloth. From a bottle of tomato catsup he took enough dye to color a like amount of woolen cloth. A single bottle of pop produced coloring matter of still greater power.

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**A Strange Fish.**  
A strange fish is on exhibition at Seattle, Wash. It is six feet long and is half animal and half vegetable, as a seed grew out of its body.  
The United States has 320 retired brigadier generals.  
Minnesota has abolished grand juries.

### GRATEFUL TO CUTICURA

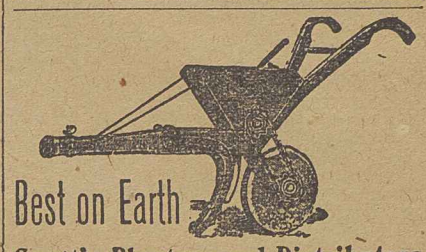
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**Alabama Telephone Statistics.**  
Alabama has 47 systems, 32,650 miles of wire, and 14,077 telephones. The income of the systems in this state was \$528,196 in 1902; the operating expenses were \$314,312, and the net income \$80,176.

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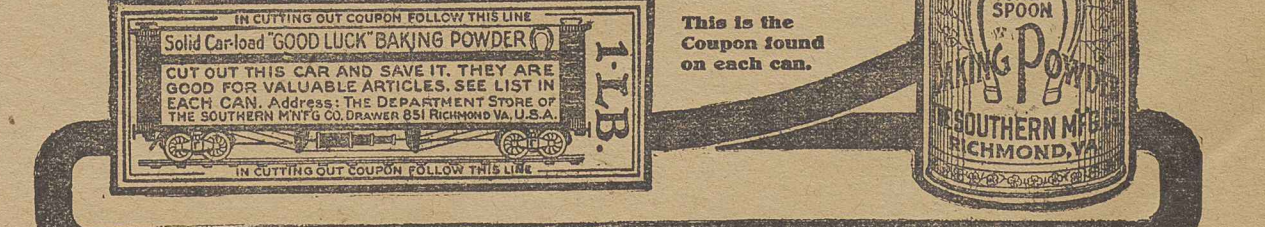
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## VARIETY OF CROPS.

### The Farmer Should Diversify His Planting—Plant Different Things.

#### CORN AND COW PEAS IN SOUTH.

Suggestions As to the Cultivation of These Crops Come from Secretary Wilson, of Fort Worth.

It has long been recognized that corn and cow peas are two of the most valuable food crops for stock in general use by southern farmers. Their hardy character, vigorous growth and wide adaptation to climates and soils place them in the first rank of plants for general farm use. In the improved system of agriculture which the south must adopt to meet boll weevil conditions corn and cow peas must occupy a more important position than in any previous period, because soil conditions must be improved to successfully make good cotton crops, and this can best be accomplished by the alternate planting to corn and cow peas and to cotton.

#### CORN.

The soil should be prepared for the corn crop the same as for cotton by deeper fall plowing (or breaking) of the land and winter cultivation. Breaking for corn ought to be eight inches deep, but where the previous breaking has only been three or four inches, it will not do to go down to eight inches at once, hence it will be advisable in such cases to break only about six or seven inches so as not to stir up too much crude soil, but reach a depth of eight inches or more as soon as practicable. The winter cultivation referred to is simply harrowing or discing the land at intervals of twenty to thirty days so as to put it in the best of condition for planting. Plant early as the season will permit in rows, six feet apart on rich land, and five feet apart on hill lands and worn bench, bottom or prairie lands. Where corn is planted five and six feet apart in rows, it will bear a little crowding in the row. It may be single stalks once in ten to twelve inches, according to the fertility of the land, or it may stand two stalks in a place once in twenty to twenty-four inches; the single stalk is preferable. The wide rows allow the sunshine to penetrate to the soil and gives a better ear than where the planting is done in narrow rows.

#### SEED CORN.

In the selection of seed corn better results in bushels will be reached by selecting promising varieties, grown not more than 200 miles north of the field to be planted. It should not be understood that it is necessary to secure corn grown one to two hundred miles north. Promising varieties grown in the immediate neighborhood, if they have been carefully selected, will undoubtedly give the most satisfactory results. The objection to corn grown in the immediate vicinity is that it has not as a rule been selected with care, and hence it is almost impossible to get pure bred corn except from some seedsmen who has taken unusual pains to keep it pure.

The ears should be of medium length with kernels deep and firm, well filled at the ends and with small cob. Above all it should be corn specially selected and carefully housed, and not taken at random from a crib.

In planting reject the irregular kernels at each end, and use plenty of seed.

#### FERTILIZERS.

The use of a small amount of fertilizer on corn land until the soil can be improved and filled with cow peas is of great importance to the planter.

#### Steamer Nueces Is Floated.

Galveston, Tex.—The Mallory line steamer Nueces, from New York for Galveston, which went ashore Tuesday night about thirty miles west of here, was floated without serious damage to the vessel or cargo.

#### Woman Held for Murder.

Birmingham, Ala.—G. W. Herron, a miner living near the Weller mines, fourteen miles south of Birmingham, was shot twice and almost instantly killed. His wife is under arrest charged with the crime and she claims that she shot in self-defense, the weapon being discharged while her husband was abusing her. Weller was well known in the Blue Creek region, in this county. Deputy sheriffs went to the scene this morning while Coroner Paris left for the scene this afternoon to hold an investigation. The woman will be held in the county jail here until the matter has been thoroughly investigated.

#### No Divorce for Insanity.

Montgomery, Ala.—The supreme court has held that E. B. Price, of Tallapoosa county, cannot secure a divorce from his wife, though she is an inmate of the state insane asylum at Tuscaloosa, and has been of unsound mind for thirty years.

There is no law in Alabama by which a man or woman may secure a divorce because of insanity.

## ALABAMA NEWS.

### Current Events Gathered as They Happen.

#### One-legged Man Stabbed.

Birmingham, Ala.—The lame were not aiding the lame last night when M. McCue, a one-legged man, was stabbed in the temple and seriously wounded by a white man whose name is not known.

The man who did the cutting is supposed to have been paralyzed on one side. If he is the trouble quickly vanished when he discovered what he had done, for he escaped before the police or any one else could reach the room where it happened.

The two men were in a room in the Louisville hotel, 2104 1-2 Second avenue, and McCue is still in the room. Physicians were attending him last night, and as late as 1 o'clock Saturday morning he was delirious and could give no accurate account of the trouble. The physicians do not believe that he will die.

#### Held for Robbing Mails.

Montgomery, Ala.—Eugene Hester, a railway mail clerk, was arrested here tonight and is in jail in default of a \$3,000 bond. He is accused specifically of abstracting \$2,600 from a registered letter from the First National bank of Dothan to the Hancover National bank of New York.

Hester was in charge of the mail car of the Atlantic Coast Line which he claims was held up by a masked highwayman as the train neared Montgomery. He said he grappled with the robber and was shot through the hand, which was bleeding. About a dozen registered letters were missing. Hester will have a hearing tomorrow.

#### Trestle Washed Away.

Bessemer, Ala.—A trestle over Valley Creek near Virginia Mines was so badly damaged by the swiftly running stream that a train which was at Virginia could not pass over it, and had to send for another engine to bring the crew to Bessemer. The trestle was washed out, and the trestle was in imminent danger of being entirely torn away. The crew walked across it and boarded the special engine and came to this city, leaving their train at Virginia.

#### Emigration Agents Must Pay.

Montgomery, Ala.—In an opinion of Justice Simpson the supreme court of Alabama upheld the emigrant taxation act. The decision in effect declares that the privilege tax of \$500 imposed on emigrant agents for every country in which they solicit labor is not a prohibitive one. And as it is not a prohibitive tax it does not conflict with the federal constitution in the way of immunities of citizens and preventing free locomotion from one state to another.

#### Greenville to Have Lights.

Greenville, Ala.—At last, after all these years, Greenville is to have an electric light plant and the city lighted by arc lights. The C. C. Henderson Electric Light Company was awarded the franchise and contract by the City Council last Monday night after a session lasting into the small hours of the morning. They are to furnish the city with lights at a cost of \$55 per month, and that is claimed to be cheaper than any other city in the state is getting them, with the single exception of Montgomery. The town is now in a better financial condition than it has ever been probably since the charter was granted. The treasury has now a balance to the credit of the city of about \$8,000. The bonded indebtedness is only \$30,000.

#### Tax Commissioner Dead.

Abbeville, Ala.—Mr. W. A. Trawick, tax commissioner of Henry county, died Tuesday at the home of his father, Mr. T. A. Trawick. Mr. Trawick was a graduate of Howard college and one of the most prominent young men in this section.

#### Free Building for Hospital.

Huntsville, Ala.—The City Hospital Association has secured rent free for a period of twenty years the building in South Huntsville owned by the city, now being used as a public hospital, and numerous improvements will be made in the property. The hospital is supported by public appropriations and private subscriptions.

#### Wires Fail Again.

Birmingham, Ala.—Birmingham was enabled to renew wire communication with Atlanta Friday morning for only a few minutes, the wires again failing. An army of linemen are at work. Landslides on the railroads in this vicinity have been cleared away and the train service is improving.

#### Conductor Is Killed.

Jasper, Ala.—Fred Humphreyville, a conductor on a Northern Alabama freight train, was caught between two cars near Calumet and instantly killed. He was making a coupling when the horrible accident occurred. Deceased was about thirty years of age and was only recently married to a popular young lady in North Alabama. The remains were taken to Sheffield this afternoon for burial.

#### Had Narrow Escape.

Oneonta, Ala.—Mr. Ware, a traveling salesman for J. G. Whitfield & Co., came near drowning in Dry creek. Ware and John Rice left here for Blountsville and in crossing a stream their team and buggy washed down. The occupants caught on a foot-log. Rice got on the log, but Ware washed under. Rice caught Ware by the arm and after holding him as long as possible, had to turn him loose, bidding him goodbye.

Ware was washed down stream one hundred yards and caught the buggy, which had lodged. He managed to hold to the buggy till neighbors brought a rope, and this was thrown to him. He tied it around his waist and was dragged out and revived and brought to town, where he is resting well.

#### Mitchell's Speech.

Blount, Ala.—John Mitchell, President of the United Mine Workers of America, addressed a large body of miners and citizens at the opera house here. Mr. Mitchell's speech was a very conservative argument. He cautioned the striking miners to observe the laws of the land, saying that a man who will violate the laws is an enemy to the miners. He stated that the miners would back the strikers until they won the fight or until it is hopelessly lost.

#### Boys to Attend Inauguration.

Montgomery, Ala.—Wm. B. Brandt, of the Montgomery high school; M. Bibb Polman, of the Troy high school, and Herbert Pettus, of the Huntsville high school, were yesterday appointed by State Superintendent of Education I. W. Hill as three of the pupils of this state to attend the inauguration of President Roosevelt on March 4th. Two other high school pupils will be appointed by Superintendent Hill as each state is allowed five boys or less.

#### Serious Fire Averted.

Opelika, Ala.—Opelika came near having a serious fire. Fire was discovered up stairs over the buildings occupied as stores by Mills Bros. & Hearn at the corner of Tallapoosa street and South Railroad avenue. Where the fire was discovered was formerly used as rooms for lodging, and two young railroad men went to obtain lodging and discovered the fire. It is supposed that some tramps who were sleeping there had built the fire from which it caught.

#### Gretna Green Affair.

Enfauila, Ala.—William Watson and Miss Eva Wells, of this city, were parties to a Gretna Green wedding at 8 o'clock. The bride is a lovely young girl of about 14 or 15 summers and was en route to the Sanford Street school of which she was a regularly enrolled pupil when the groom came along in a hack and she joined him in a visit to Georgetown, Ga., where Judge J. E. Dozier tied the nuptial knot. The affair was a complete surprise to their most intimate friends.

#### Fires in Cotton Mill.

Huntsville, Ala.—Fires were started Saturday morning in the engine room of the West Huntsville cotton mill, which has been idle about eighteen months, and the machinery is being limbered up preparatory to the immediate resumption of operations. The mill has 6,000 spindles and employs 250 people when in operation.

#### Freight Cars Broke Through.

Demopolis, Ala.—About midnight Thursday night a west-bound freight on the Southern railway broke through the Devil's run, a large trestle in the eastern suburbs of this place. One box car loaded with miscellaneous freight and a car load of coal went through. Fortunately the break occurred at the span at the west end of the trestle. No lives were lost.

#### Fell from Second Story.

Wylam, Ala.—John M. Smith, a carpenter, while at work on a new building at Wylam, fell from the second story and had three ribs broken and his left shoulder dislocated. He also received internal injuries which may prove fatal. He has a family.

#### Ellawhite Cotton Mill to Be Doubled.

Uniontown, Ala.—The contract has been let for doubling the size and capacity of Ellawhite cotton mill. As this will be the second time that the mill has been doubled within a few years, it is a self-evident fact that under the management of Mr. Val Taylor it has been a very profitable investment to the stockholders.

#### Will Lay Corner Stone.

Greenville, Ala.—Invitations have been issued for the ceremony of laying the corner stone of St. Elizabeth's Catholic church at Greenville, which will take place on Sunday afternoon, February 19th, at 2:30 o'clock. Right Reverend Bishop E. P. Allen will conduct the exercises.

#### Was Murdered Christmas.

Gadsden, Ala.—A gruesome story comes from the Tunnel tunnel, out in the western portion of the county, to the effect that a negro workman who disappeared about Christmas, was found dead in an old field about ten days ago. It is said that the negro left the tunnel work on Christmas day for his home in Birmingham, and it is supposed that he was murdered and robbed and thrown into an old field.

#### Gas Franchise Extended.

Huntsville, Ala.—The Huntsville city council has granted the New York and Alabama Oil Company a year's extension of time on the franchise giving it the right to lay gas pipes in the streets of this city and furnish natural gas to consumers. In a letter to the council asking for the extension, President Francis Wilson, of New York, stated that his company will be supplying enough natural gas from its wells at Hazle Green to keep every citizen warm. President Wilson's company has gas in abundance now, but no pipes will be laid for several months yet.

#### Powder Works Explosion.

Birmingham, Ala.—The separator at the Dupont Powder Works blew up Friday at 11:30 o'clock. The report was heard all over the city, though the works are six miles out.

Wild rumors are out as to fatality list, but telephone messages to Boyles, two miles from the scene, say no one was killed, but considerable damage was done to property. Had the explosion occurred in the day time several would have been killed.

At 1 o'clock telephone message from the powder works stated that positively no one was killed.

#### Runs Amuck With Pistol.

Huntsville, Ala.—Floyd Jones, a well-known carriage painter, ran amuck with a pistol Saturday while intoxicated and after taking a shot at John Fackler, a negro hack driver, tried to kill L. Lehman, a business man. The man had the pistol pointed against Mr. Lehman's stomach and tried to pull the trigger, but Mr. Lehman made his escape by flight. Jones resisted arrest, but was finally lodged in the city prison, where he is held on several charges, one of them being assault with intent to murder.

#### An Art Teacher Goes Suddenly.

Birmingham, Ala.—William Tent, a white man who came to Birmingham a few weeks ago and advertised as an art teacher, has left the city and complaint has been made against him by several ladies of this city.

It seems that Tent set up an art gallery at 1612 Third avenue some time ago and advertised for students. He always required a deposit for incidentals and thirty or forty ladies in different parts of the city are said to have paid money to him.

#### Passing Raised Bills.

Fayette, Ala.—J. W. Nix, a white man about thirty years of age, has been placed in jail on a charge of passing raised bills. It is said that he bought goods from the store of R. T. Hommer & Co., giving a twenty dollar bill in payment. Afterwards the clerk is said to have discovered that the bill had been raised from ten to twenty dollars. It is also charged that more raised bills were found on the person of Nix when his arrest occurred.

#### Incorporated.

Union Springs, Ala.—The mercantile business heretofore conducted by Mr. C. R. Russell has been changed into a stock company with a paid up capital of twenty thousand dollars and the same nature of business as has been conducted by Mr. Russell will be continued by the new company. The stockholders are Messrs. C. R. Russell and W. W. Rainier, Jr., and Mrs. N. M. Russell. Mr. Russell being president and Mr. Rainier secretary and treasurer.

#### Postoffice and House Burned.

Camp Hill, Ala.—Fire which started in the store of W. C. Jenkins destroyed that building with a loss of \$1,500 with \$400 insurance. The postoffice was also burned, as was the store of V. P. Matthews, with a loss of \$800. Ferguson & Head leased the latter building and lost \$150 worth of merchandise.

#### Bloodworth Murder.

Decatur, Ala.—Several special officers, as well as the regular local officers, are still working on the Miss Belle Bloodworth murder case. It is believed by some that they have a clue, though nothing has been made public as yet.

#### Boy Loses Both Legs.

Decatur, Ala.—Will Brown, aged 12, son of Timet W. A. Brown, jumped from a freight train here and in jumping his foot slipped, throwing him under the train, cutting off both legs below the knees. Charlie Lawson jerked him from under the cars, otherwise he would have been ground to death. He will recover.

#### Rhodesville Store Burns.

Florence, Ala.—The general merchandise store of C. S. Rhodes, a wealthy planter of Rhodesville, this county, was burned Monday night with all its contents. Mr. Rhodes carried \$1,500 insurance. The telephone wires are down and no particulars could be learned.

#### Investigation Ordered.

Montgomery, Ala.—An investigation of the burning of the Anniston dry goods store at Anniston has been ordered by Deputy Insurance Commissioner H. R. Shorter.

#### Talladega, Ala.—At its regular meeting Monday evening the city council appropriated \$5,000 for the extension of the sewerage system into Stoneington.

#### Countess is Victorious.

Florence.—The Countess Montignose has been victorious in the first stage of her struggle with the king of Saxony, her former husband, to have their daughter, Princess Anna Monica Pia, removed from her care and for the present at least the child will remain where she is. The lawyers of the countess, after a meeting with Dr. Koerner, the emissary of the king of Saxony, declared that orders of foreign authorities can not be executed in Italy, and that the case will have to be tried first in the courts of law.

The lawyers assert that even should the king of Saxony be victorious in the courts, there would be difficulty in enforcing a decree taking the child from her mother.

#### Alabama Items.

Washington.—The Alabama items in the public bidding bill which will soon be reported to the house of representatives are as follows: For extension of government building at Birmingham, \$25,000; new building at Bessemer, \$55,000; new building at Tuscaloosa, \$60,000; new building at Florence, \$50,000; new site at Gadsden, \$7,500; new site at Troy, \$5,000; extension of building at Montgomery, \$7,000.

#### Quarter Million Fire.

Chicago, Ill.—Fire started Saturday morning in the six-story building of the General Electric Company, Fifth avenue and Van Buren street. A general alarm has been turned in and a call made for fifteen extra engines. The fire is in the center of the clothing district and large wholesale stocks are endangered.

LATER—Fire was confined to the building in which it started. The loss is a quarter of a million dollars.

#### Hanging in Mississippi.

Water Valley, Miss.—Edward Gammons, a young white man, was hanged here Saturday afternoon for the murder of Lake Kinsey, a well known farmer, and his daughter, Miss Fannie Kinsey, in April, 1904. Kinsey objected to Gammons' attentions to his daughter and the double tragedy resulted. Gammons was hanged in a blinding rainstorm in the presence of a large crowd of spectators.

#### Murder Suspected.

Glasgow, Ky.—Bransford Bracker, a prominent citizen of Allen county, was found dead near Alexander, a small station on the C. and N. railroad, eight miles from Scottsville, today. The body had the appearance of being dead several days. It is believed that the man was murdered, as the face showed unmistakable signs of violence. Bracker was 60 years of age and came from Tennessee to Allen county about a year ago.

#### Money for Military Company.

Demopolis, Ala.—At its meeting Saturday night, the City Council appropriated \$150 for the local military company to enable them to rent suitable quarters. The Rifles and the Tombeckbee club formerly occupied the same building, paying joint rent, but the club having recently dissolved the Rifles were unable to pay the rent and the council came to the rescue.

#### Entailing a Heavy Loss.

Des Moines, Ia.—Fire wrecked five of the principal business blocks of Okaloosa, entailing a loss of \$150,000, partially covered by insurance.

#### Low Wallace is Nearing Death.

Crawfordsville, Ind.—The condition of Gen. Low Wallace is serious and from the best sources of information it is learned that he is rapidly nearing death. Nurses are in constant attendance.

#### Egg Trust Formed.

Chicago, Ill.—It is estimated that there are 45,000,000 eggs in cold storage. Notwithstanding this a famine in the product, exists and householders are paying 38 cents a dozen. The big meat packers are said to have a corner on the market. The eggs were bought at a price ranging from 15 to 17 1-2 cents a dozen.

#### Traced by Thumb Print.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of an Adams Express company package, containing \$650, consigned on January 18th by the treasury department at Washington to the Citizens' National bank at New Castle, Pa., has been cleared by the confession of Leroy Love, a messenger in the employ of the company. The robbery was traced by a thumb print on the seal.

#### Killed by Dynamite.

Calumet, Mich.—Ten and maybe twenty or more persons were killed in a dynamite explosion in the Kearsarge mine Feb. 8.

#### Ice Destroys Floats.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Ice in the Ohio river broke at Monongahela and destroyed several floats. Thousands of dollars' worth of property is threatened.

#### Japanese Attack Repulsed.

St. Petersburg—Gen. Kuropatkin, in a dispatch to the emperor, says: "Our sharpshooters Thursday repulsed a Japanese attack on an eminence three miles southeast of Tunkon."

#### KING EDWARD'S NEW SEAL.

Is of Steel Instead of Silver Used For All Previous Great Seals.

King Edward, at the meeting of his privy council held the other day at Buckingham palace, presented the lord high chancellor with the new Great Seal of the Empire, to take the place of the one which has been in use for the last 16 or 18 years, and which, bearing the heraldic devices of the late queen, with her name and effigy, has now been solemnly "broken" or "defaced" by the monarch, and has become the perquisite of the lord chancellor. The last named, in accordance with usual custom, is having it converted into a salver bearing his own arms and those of the sovereign.

This is the last occasion that the Great Seal of England can be applied to such a use after being "broken," for the new one which has just been conferred by King Edward to the lord high chancellor is constructed of finely tempered steel, instead of silver, as heretofore. The Great Seal consists of a pair of dies more than six inches in diameter, and when made of silver these dies were three-quarters of an inch thick. When required for the completion of any state document the dies are closed, melted wax is poured in, and in due time the Great Seal is ready for attachment. The peculiar shape of the Great Seal has led to its being occasionally devoted to strange uses, and when the eccentric first Lord Brougham was lord high chancellor of the realm he on one occasion, while visiting the Duchess Dowages of Bedford in the country, permitted the two silver disks constituting the Great Seal to be used for frying pancakes in the kitchen by some of the younger members of the house party.

Yet so great is the importance attached to the emblem of British sovereignty that there are all sorts of ancient laws, still unrepealed, providing for the custody of the Great Seal. Thus, one old statute declares that it may not be taken out of the United Kingdom. In fact, one of the offences for which Cardinal Wolsey was impeached and punished during the reign of King Henry VIII was that he had violated the law by taking the Great Seal out of the kingdom with him to France in his capacity as lord keeper and high chancellor. The law makes it high treason to counterfeit the Great Seal, and a lord high chancellor who allows the Great Seal out of his own custody renders himself liable not only to removal from office, but likewise to still more serious pains and penalties.

In olden times the Great Seal, when it went out of use, was broken in real earnest, usually in the house of lords, by the means of a sledgehammer wielded by a sturdy blacksmith. But in these modern times the "breaking" or "defacing" is of a purely metaphorical order, and consists in a gentle tap with a small hammer by the sovereign during a session of the privy council summoned for the purpose, the "defacement" being entered upon the minutes of the council.

The fact that Queen Victoria's Great Seal should have been used until now, despite the fact that King Edward has been on the throne nearly four years, is in accordance with precedent the new Great Seal of a sovereign being rarely completed until after he has been on the throne for several years. It is this that leads to considerable uncertainty about records of ancient days, since, dated years after the demise of a monarch, they are nevertheless found to bear his seal.—New York Tribune.

#### Gas Versus Electricity.

The incandescent mantle has saved the gas industry, and not only saved it but placed it in such a position that gas-lighting by modern methods of high-pressure incandescence, inverted burners, and so forth, threatens to outstrip electricity for general lighting purposes. This is no exaggeration when we reflect that invariably the finest streets in the great cities of Europe are now lighted with incandescent gas burners, and if the high-pressure incandescent lamps be compared with the electric arc lights at some of the busy street crossings in London there can be no question of the great superiority of the incandescent gas system. In fact, in several places the electric arc lights may as well not be in use in the face of the brilliant penetrating light of the incandescent mantle. This week at a gas exhibition held in the exhibition buildings at Earl's Court may be seen incandescent gas burners working under pressure with the light of which the electric arc light cannot compete with the brilliancy, steadiness, penetrating power or tone. Nor is it on the large scale alone that gas is seriously rivaling electricity. The inverted incandescent gas burner is hardly distinguishable in appearance from the incandescent electric light in the artistic lighting of domestic rooms.—London Lancet.

#### Absent Minded.

A minister's wife, a doctor's wife and a traveling man's wife met one day recently and were talking about the forgetfulness of their husbands. The minister's wife thought her husband was the most forgetful man living, because he would go to church and forget his notes and no one could make out what he was trying to preach about. The doctor's wife thought her husband was the most forgetful still, for he would often start out to see a patient and forget his medicine case and travel nine miles for nothing. "Well," said the traveling man's wife, "my husband beats that. He came home the other day and patted me on the cheek and said: 'I believe I have seen you before—what's your name?'" —Brownwood Banner Bulletin.



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The ball season will soon open up again.

Let everybody work to help build up the town.

The streets and sidewalks of Columbiana should be fixed up.

The whole country has been frozen over for the past few days.

The small pox scare is all over with as far as Columbiana is concerned.

If this weather keeps up the farmers will have to run late in this section.

Democratic leaders all over the country are saying that Roosevelt is a great man now.

This is the best chicken and egg market in the county; so bring your chickens and eggs to this place.

They say that after a snow fair weather fellows, but all precedents have been broken this winter and you can't tell.

Good roads and good schools is what every county in the State should have. Why not put Shelby county on these basis?

We need better railroad and mail facilities in and out of Columbiana. One mail train each way a day and both from one to four hours late every day.

The farmers in this county say that they are just going to plant half as much cotton this year as they did last. This is the proper thing to do.

Cotton is gradually going up, and if the farmers and merchants will hold what they have on hand in the South, cotton will go back to 10 cents before April.

Editor Tibbles of the Nebraska Independent tells them what he thinks about "rats" and they may like or lump it; it matters little to him. He is a great man and a great writer. His paper is a power for good.

The People's Party is a great and growing party, standing for the laboring classes the world over and having a broad view of what the people needs. Tom Watson will give us its purposes and aims in his paper.

We have heard nothing recently about the electric lights for Columbiana. This is a scheme which should not be dropped, and as we have stated before, all it will take is for some of our enterprising business men to put their shoulder to the wheel in this move and it will be sustained by our citizens. Let 'er come!

The reason why so many of the political bosses and plutocratic papers favor a restriction of the suffrage, is that when they get suffrage limited they will not have to buy so many votes to carry an election. But as the supply of voters decreased the price might rise. That is the law in economics and why would it not apply to politics?—Nebraska Independent.

"Uncle Joe" Cannon, speaker of the House, who has been exploited by the papers as a common old farmer, turns out to be one of the worst snobs in Washington. He has a devil wagon of the true man-killing type, and "carries on" in other ways after the genuine plutocratic style. The president gave a dinner party the other night to which the speaker was invited. When Cannon found out that the arrangements were such that the justices of the supreme court would outrank him, he wrote a note to the president declining to attend, saying he would not be outranked by any person at that dinner except the president himself. That is the kind of an old snob the speaker of the House of Congress is.

## WATSON BEFORE THE COTTON GROWERS.

"And I call your attention to another fact. For 100 years the strong arms of the United States government have been thrown around, not the farmer who made the cotton, but the manufacturer who worked it up into cotton goods. For 100 years the manufacturer has been protected against the foreigner in order that the home people might be benefited in the long run, and the result of the long run is that tonight, the foreigner, the Japanese, the Chinese, almost any foreigner, can buy cotton goods cheaper on their own market than we can buy them here at home. (Applause.)

"I call your attention to another fact.

"Just after the bubble burst, last spring, and seventeen-cent cotton went down, there was an organized, preconcerted and systematic effort made to increase the output of cotton and to reduce its price. All over the south advice was given to the farmers to plant for 12,000,000 bales, and we were assured that if we did it we would get 12 cents a pound for it. As soon as the crop was planted, publication was made to the world that we had increased the acreage 33 1/3 per cent.

"What was the origin of that combination? I have no doubt in my mind that it originated among the manufacturers who did not wish to pay seventeen cents for cotton. I do not blame them for it. I do not blame them for thinking that seventeen cents was too much for cotton, but I call your attention to this fact, that having set the ball in motion, it escaped their control and they have now got caught in the same trap that they set for us.

"What a singular situation is ours, my brethren. The world has never seen one similar to it. Fame has its millions of victims in India because the crops have failed. We sent the offerings of our charity to Russia years ago because her crops had failed. To-night in Ireland starvation clamors for its victims throughout the length and breadth of that afflicted country, and it is because they didn't make a crop. Here we are threatened with bankruptcy and threatened with commercial ruin because we did make the crop. (Great applause.)

"It's a curious state of affairs. I starve to death, not because I have no crust to eat, but because the table is bountifully spread. If we make no crop it's ruin, and if we make one it's ruin, too. It's the old predestination cry: You can and you can't, you will and you won't; you're damned if you do, and you're damned if you don't. (Great applause.)

"To the man who hungers, the meat trust says: Pay my price or starve. To the men who shiver in the wintry blasts of the North to-night, the Coal Trust says: Pay my price or freeze. To the producer of corn and wheat on the Western rich lands, marvelous gardens of fertility, no matter what the freight rate is, the Traffic Association Trust says to the farmer: Pay my price or let your corn and wheat rot in the fields that produce it. (Great applause.)

"We market our cotton without any system whatsoever. The man who can get there first sells first, and it's a mad rush to get there with cart and wagon and sell it for whatever you can get. The laws of our country are unjust to us, and have been for a hundred years. (Applause.)

"I do not advise the farmers of the South to organize a piratical trust—a predatory combination—but I do say this: that while the trusts are the devils of modern commerce, we have got to fight the devil with fire. (Great applause.) If we do not organize ourselves into a self-defense trust to protect ourselves, to exact a fair return for our labor and our investments, then we are less than men, because we have failed to assert our manhood in defense of our manhood's rights. (Applause.)

"Where has the farmer ever asked any favor of this government? Where has he asked for any special protection? Never has he demanded anything except a free field and a fair fight. (Applause.) Never has he expected to get anything except what he earns in the sweat of his face. And tonight, tonight, our unjust laws which destroy our markets, deliver us over

to those who are antagonistic to us in self-interest.

"From our socks to our hats; from the undershirt to the overcoat, it's cotton. With the female members of our families its almost entirely true that their clothing is made up of cotton. Our bedding, our tableware and many of the things used on a farm, to say nothing of ropes and plow lines and back bands; to say nothing of the bunting in the flag or the cheap carpet on the floor.

"Cotton, cotton, extends its empire of usefulness everywhere, until now it is almost taking the place of wool. On the other hand, it has well nigh taken the place of silk, and, therefore, in the natural increase of population and the natural increase in the usefulness of cotton, it has, like every other commodity, had to join the great advance which industry is making all over the land, and should bring a fair return to the toilers who made it. (Applause.)

"Eighty millions of people! Is there a man who will say that if our people could buy all the cotton goods which they legitimately needed for the person and the house, that they would not consume \$25 worth apiece? On a basis of ten cent cotton, fifty dollars a bale, then you have at once, a crop demanded, according to those figures, of forty million bales. Put it at \$10 a head, say that every man, every woman and every child could be content, in all the uses of cotton, with \$10 apiece, and put it on the same basis, ten cent cotton, bringing \$50 a bale, and you have a legitimate demand in America alone for sixteen million bales of cotton. (Applause.)

"Therefore, what you want more than any other thing is to increase the demand for cotton; the market for cotton and the uses of cotton, and I say, and can maintain, that our own laws, our own Government, by discrimination against us, has destroyed our market and have concentrated our wealth until the masses of the people who need what we have got, can't get it because they haven't the money to buy it with.

"Let us rise to the high responsibilities of this situation, and ask again: What must we do to be saved? First of all, we must move from the market, as the coffee trust did, the overproduction of cotton, and limit the output to what the world is now able to buy. (Great applause.)

"I stand ready, and my people stand ready to march with you on any plan of action which proposes to retire from the market, either temporarily or permanently, what is supposed to be that surplus which destroys the market value of all of it.

"Then, again, you need to form a self defense trust which will immediately limit the output from year to year. (Applause.) Again, you need to regulate the supply of cotton to meet the present commercial demand.

"Then, again, you want to work with might and main, year in and year out, to broaden the market and enlarge the demand until the world is able to buy as much as it legitimately needs of your product. (Applause.)

"We have got to know no Republicans, no Democrats, no Populists. We have got to know only the Southern man who will take his stand by other Southern men. (Tremendous applause.)

As to the present time, your duty is plain, your self-interest is plain. It is to stand pat. Stand pat. (Cries of "That's right," and applause.) Let the other fellow play. (Laughter and applause.) Let the other fellow play, but you stand pat.

"They tell you that millions of bales of cotton are being sold on Wall street. Not a word of it's true. They are selling hot air. (Great applause.) They are selling what Mr. Hatch of Missouri used to call wind, when I was proud to help him pass the Dingley law to put down future gambling; a law which the lower house passed and which our House of Lords killed. They are not selling cotton, they are selling futures, and futures can't always rule.

"Spot cotton is king and always will be king if we will be true to it. (Great applause.) The mills can not run on cotton futures. (A voice: "No, you bet they can't.") The railroads can't get rich on cotton futures. (Great applause.) The fertilizer companies won't get fat on cotton futures. The gambling contracts made on Wall street itself, can't always be settled by other

contracts. Sooner or later, they have got to have spot cotton.

"Cotton future has usurped the kingly robes, has put on the royal red and is wielding a new scepter for the tyrant. Let's expel him. Let's run him out. Let's be true to the South, and of necessity prosperity will follow.

"What is Wall street doing? It is simply betting. Betting that you will sell your cotton in April, May, June and July at six and a fraction. For them to win the game you have got to do it, for if you don't do it, they lose the game and you win it.

"I don't tell you it will be an easy fight or a short campaign. I tell you it will be a hard fight and a long campaign, because you are overcoming the inertia of a hundred years, but it's a fight that you have got to make, and it's a fight that you are going to make. (Great applause.)

"When this convention separates into its state and county delegates, we will go back to our homes like the Scottish chiefs went to the village fastness, and the clans will rally to us."

## Communicated.

Editor Advocate:—I noticed some time ago the Supt. of Education asked for some suggestions along the line of bettering the educational condition in Shelby county, viz:

In having more teachers and better teachers, more money and better money, etc.

No doubt the Supt. is aware of the fact that in days gone by when Greece, as a land of Independent States, the nursery of liberty and freedom of speech, was on the verge of falling before the arts and arms of Phillip of Macedonia, Demosthenes, a native of Athens arose and in a succession of orations of unequalled eloquence, exposed the designs of the enemy of Grecian liberty and sought to arouse his countrymen to meet their foe as they had met the Persians of old. It will be proper and appropriate to answer questions that may be made to deter this movement, as Demosthenes answered, those who were trying to confound him by asking, "what then, is to be done?" to which he answered, "nothing that you are doing, everything that you leave undone." We hope this will not be the case with us, though it has happened often in the history of the world, among nations that have excelled in literature, after great works had been produced, which brought down the admiration of all who read them; that others, attempting to go further—attempts to do something still better—have produced works affected and unnatural, and, instead of promoting literature, have corrupted the taste of the nation in which they lived. Now, this is a thing we should always be upon our guard, and having those great models of which passes before us, we should study to see that the literature of the day is, at least as pure in point of taste as that which has gone before, and to take care that we do not, instead of advancing in letters, fall back and decay in the productions of the time.

Now, the arduous task of preparing the examination papers for our little common school teachers, (country school teachers) is of vital importance.

1st, There being so much difference in preparing papers for a man or woman who have spent their time, money and energy in preparing for examination (or for life) according to the Standard Text-book, and the man or woman who have read a little Cicero and Virgil, "Knight's Toasts," "Lugley's Love," "Love on the half shell," etc., newspaper items, and are up on the almanac—jokes and sketches. I don't mean to say it is not well to know this, and that they are good grazing tracts, but I do say that grading a fellow on these questions are no test of his or her knowledge of teaching school. I believe the proposition now is to tax the property owners to raise more money.

Well, nations are sometimes compelled to act without experience for their guide, and to trust to their own sagacity for the anticipation of consequences. The instance where this county or State will be compelled thus to act is because other counties and States have been eminently successful; for this reason we need not fear, even if we were acting in the manner imputed to us by our enemies.

I hope we will be agreed to the

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who lived at Sidmouth. "In 1824,

there set in a great flood upon that

town; the tide rose to an incredible

height; the waves rushed in upon

the houses, and everything was

threatened with destruction. In

the midst of this sublime and ter-

rrible storm, Mrs. Partington, who

lived on the beach, was seen at the

door of her house with mop and

pattens, trundling her mop, squeez-

ing out the sea water, and vigor-

ously pushing away the Atlantic

Ocean. The Atlantic was roused,

Mrs. Partington's spirit was up,

the contest was unequal. Mrs. P.

was excellent at a slop or a puddle,

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handle the tempest. Franklin said

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7:00pm	5:50am	lv. Mobile, Ala.	10:00am	10:00am
1:00pm	5:50pm	lv. Selma, Ala.	4:30pm	2:00pm
5:30am	10:00pm	lv. Montgomery, Ala.	10:30am	6:30pm
9:40am	.....	Ar. Chattanooga, Tenn.	.....	.....
1:00pm	.....	Ar. Knoxville, Tenn.	.....	.....
6:45pm	.....	Ar. Bristol, Va.	.....	.....
9:15pm	.....	Ar. Asheville, Va.	.....	.....
1:00am	.....	Ar. Lynchburg, Va.	.....	.....
6:30am	.....	Ar. New York, N.Y.	.....	.....
12:40pm	.....	Ar. New York, N.Y.	.....	.....

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#### THE PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE

##### Social and Local News.

Ollie Goer, of Calera, was in town Sunday.

There are several cases of grip in town now.

C. E. Hale, of Saginaw, was in town Friday.

Cut throat prices at T. F. Atkinson's store.

J. S. Jackson, of Fourmile, was in the city Saturday.

J. H. Page spent Thursday and Friday in Birmingham.

J. A. Jackson spent Sunday on Fourmile with relatives.

C. L. Hullinger, of Atlanta, Ga., was in the city Tuesday.

H. S. Latham, of Montevallo, was in the city Tuesday.

L. N. Roy, of Helena, was in the city Monday on business.

A. H. Avery and wife, of Shelby, were in the city Saturday.

There were good crowds in town Friday and Saturday trading.

Mrs. C. A. Carter, of Shelby, visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. M. F. Bentley, of Pelham, spent a part of Monday in town.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Harrison on the 13th inst., a son.

T. J. Weaver was on the sick list last week, caused from rheumatism.

There was no preaching Sunday at the Methodist church on account of rain.

Miss Alma Finley, of Calera, visited relatives here last week and this.

Henry Lester, of Coalville, was among the visitors in the city Saturday.

E. B. Nelson, of Empire, spent Saturday and Sunday here with his family.

Miss Mollie Houser, of Dogwood, is visiting the family of W. E. Harrison.

Clarence Smith, of Wilsonville, was in the city a short while Sunday afternoon.

Ben Johnson, who is working up at Wilsonville, spent Sunday here with his family.

J. H. Abercrombie and wife visited relatives in Birmingham a few days this week.

E. W. Chapman, of Montevallo, visited relatives here a part Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. C. T. Acker spent a few days in Helena last week with relatives and friends.

Mrs. I. W. Bailey, of Calera, visited her mother and sister here a few days last week.

Mrs. Nye, of Calera, visited her mother, Mrs. C. R. Vasser, here a few days last week.

The coldest weather of the season was experienced here Monday night and Tuesday.

A. W. Strickland, who has been sick for several days, is able to be up and around the house.

Mrs. J. W. McMahon, of Shelby Springs, spent a few hours in the city Saturday with friends.

Little Aline, daughter of T. S. Millsap, who has been sick for several days, is able to be out again.

The kind of figure that is bound to interest you is one that you feel is not as thin as it looks.

R. W. Collaway and wife returned Thursday from a visit to Washington, Ga., and other points.

Snow fell here Monday morning to the depth of about two inches, and is still on the ground as we go to press.

J. S. Evans, of beat 7, was in town Saturday and renewed his subscription to the Advocate for one year.

See change of advertisement of J. H. Abercrombie & Son, in this issue. Be sure and read what they have to say.

Rufus O'Hara, who has been working at Decatur for the Southern Express Company, returned home Monday.

W. B. Seale, of Shelby, was in town Saturday, and while here renewed his subscription to the Advocate until March, 1906.

Some one broke into the smokehouse of T. S. Millsap, manager of the Central Hotel, Saturday night and stole two large hams.

In another column will be found the advertisement of T. F. Atkinson. Read what he has to say, and when in town give him a call.

In this issue of the Advocate will be found the advertisement of Roberts & Robertson. If you need anything in their line call and see them when in town.

Coal is a scarce article in Columbiana at present, and it seems that the people don't figure on how much coal it takes to run them through the winter from the way they are after it.

J. S. Pitts, our clever Tax Assessor, is out again and at work. He says he don't want any more smallpox. Mrs. Pitts has also recovered, and their children have been moved back home.

J. F. Atchison, Shelby County's Coroner, held his first inquest Feb. 3rd, over Jim Mims, col., at Dargin. From what Mr. Atchison tells us, it seems that the negro was drunk and lay down on the ground and froze to death.

We have a communication from R. B. Posey, of beat 10, in regard to the mass meeting held in that beat Saturday. He states they had a good meeting. We will publish the article next week, and also one or two more that had to be left out for want of space this week.

On March 1st, T. F. Atkinson, the grocer, will move his stock into the Armstrong building, adjoining the Mercantile Company's store, where he will fit up one of the most up-to-date grocery stores in the city. He promises to give his customers cut-throat prices and better accommodation in his new quarters.

The public school question is a live wire in our State and county today, and this it should be. Alabama does not rank where it should in educational facilities, and why shouldn't it? There are many "whys and wherefores" however, but who can suggest just the proper remedies. The citizens of our county at present are, a great many of them, discussing this important subject, and it is to be hoped that the subject will be kept before the people of the State and counties, until the proper results will be had, and until the poor child in the rural districts will have as good a chance to get an education as those who live in our cities and towns.

#### From District 33.

Editor Advocate:—I notice in the columns of your paper a communication from Mr. Horton, who gives a statement of the school funds. He gives the special school tax at \$13,500, besides the poll tax which amounts to about \$2,000, making a total of \$15,500, which gives to each of the 63 districts \$246.00, minus the fee of collecting and handling the money, besides the appropriation made by the State. It seems that that amount ought to be sufficient for a six months school any way. But if it takes more taxes to give us better schools, let us have the schools. But if the money is used as it is at present we don't want any more taxes. One thing that would help us out, is a law to collect the poll tax. And another thing there are too many to handle the money; we need some of the middle men cut out. Let us have our county board as we have had heretofore. Then when a teacher wants license he can get them or not at once, and not have to wait for months before they know whether they have a license or not. One Mr. Strother says there are two teachers in his neighborhood that are following the plow. Now, if those teachers can make \$2.50 per day raising cotton we would like to take lessons from them on farming? Here we are in District 33 (Dargin) without a teacher, and have not been able to secure one yet. But we hope by the first of June to have a teacher, and we want to say to the teachers that the Dargin people are all right; they pay their teachers. So Mr. Strother, you can send us one of your teachers. We are 4 miles north of Calera on the L. & N.

Yours respectfully,  
T. M. DUNCAN.  
Siluria, Ala., R. F. D.

#### FRAUD EXPOSED.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to beware of such people, who seek to profit, through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing disease, for over 35 years. A sure protection to you is our name on the wrapper. Look for it, on all Dr. King's or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. BUCKLEN & CO., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada.

#### Sunday School Association.

The twenty-second annual Convention of the Alabama Sunday School Association will be held in the city of Birmingham, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 25-27 next. The basis of representation is as follows: All officers of the State Association, five delegates at large from each county, all ministers of the Gospel; the Superintendent and two other delegates from each Sunday school.

The railroads of the State have granted a rate of one and one-third fare, on the certificate plan, to delegates attending the Convention. The delegates will be entertained by the Sunday school workers of Birmingham.

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#### Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of a F. F. issued from the City Court of Birmingham, Jefferson County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House door, in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 26th day of Feb. 1905, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One roan mare, about 12 years old, named Rob, and one black mare mule 4 years old, named Kate.

Levied upon as the property of W. H. Priestbridge, to satisfy said F. F. in my hands in favor of John H. Wallace, Trustee.

This 1st day of February, 1905.  
R. F. COX, Sheriff.

#### The Schools.

Harpersville, Ala., Feb. 6, 1905.  
—Editor Advocate: I see a great deal one way and other is being written in your paper in regard to the way of raising more money for school purposes, and never seeing anything from this part of the county, I will give you my idea.

I, as a patron, am as much interested in good schools all over the county, yea state, as any one who lives in it, but I am not in favor of raising taxes any higher; they are already too high in my opinion, and I would be glad to see them brought down lower. Well, then, how are we to get more money, will be asked, if we don't vote in local taxation, which is being suggested by some and endorsed by others. I have contended for a long time that there was too much of our school money being spent for the Normal schools! State Institutions! and not enough for our rural schools. We need more money for our preparatory schools, and I would be glad to see an eight months public school in every district in Shelby county, and I think that the school laws of Alabama ought to be so changed as to give our rural schools more money and the State Institutions not so much. Please don't understand me of being opposed to our State schools, for I am not, but am proud of them. I think that if the school patrons of our county (of which you know a majority of them are poor people) could send their children to an eight months public school from the time that they become school age and go until they are 18 or 20 years old, then they would have a very fair education, provided they had the proper training, and then if they wanted to go to higher schools or colleges, why let their parents foot the bills, so to speak, and if they were not able to do this; why, let the young man or lady, which may be, or both, work awhile and go to college awhile. Some of our best men and women in Alabama today have obtained an education in this way, and they are the best teachers that we have. I repeat; give us more money for our rural schools and not so much for the State institutions, unless Alabama had money for both. If Alabama is so poor that it can't sustain both one and one have to do without the money, we say in all candor, let it be the State institutions.

I am not in favor of compulsory education, but it does look to me like our people could send to school more than they do if they would only try, and you will please pardon me if I say that there are people in Shelby county who think more of their dogs than they do of their children. To prove that this assertion is true, they will learn their dogs to hunt birds and herd cattle, but never, no never, are they seen learning their children how to read and write or even providing in any way of sending them to school (I am truly sorry for such unfortunate children.) These assertions are true and can't be disputed, and I guess will last as long as time continues.

In conclusion, let me repeat, give us more money to run our rural schools. Take from the Normal and Agricultural schools and give it to our country schools, but for goodness sake let us not raise taxes any higher.

Very respectfully,  
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#### Probate Notice.

The State of Alabama, Shelby Co. Probate Court, Special Term, January 27th, 1905.

Estate of Jno. W. Naisch, Deceased.  
The said estate having been reported insolvent by Wesley Ozley, has been appointed to hear and determine upon said report. All parties having an interest in said estate are hereby cited to be and appear at my office at the Court House of said County, on said day, to contest the same, if you think proper.

Witness my hand, at office this 27th day of January, 1905.

A. P. LONGSHORE, Judge.

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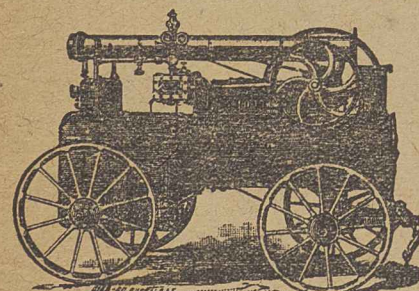
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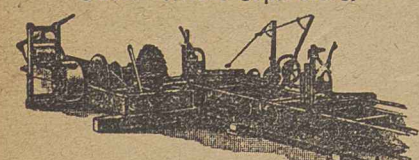
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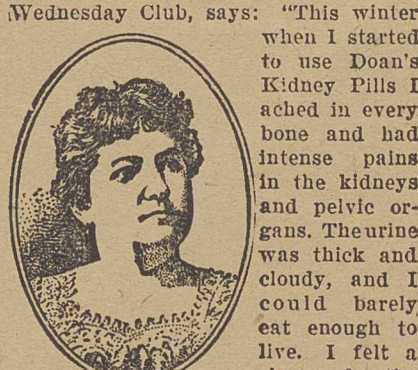
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### Greenland's Population.

According to the census of 1901, there were 11,893 inhabitants in Greenland, an increase of 1,377 since 1890. This increase includes 441 Eskimos discovered by Captain Holm in 1894. The European population was 272. No real city exists in Greenland. The largest villages are Sukkertoppen with 382, and Julianshaub with 393 inhabitants. The census shows that the East Greenlanders are of pure Eskimo blood. The remainder of the population, however, is greatly mixed. The birth and the death rate of Greenland varies greatly from year to year. The death rate is greater in the south than in the north; consumption claims 31 per cent in the north and 28 per cent in the south. About 13 per cent of the deaths are from accidental causes, chiefly drowning. In 1901 about 84 per cent of the population sustained themselves by seal catching, fishing and hunting. The remainder are connected with the administration, mission and trades. Since 1834 there has been a tendency to replace the Europeans by natives in the subordinate positions.

### Missionary Work.

In the report of the American board of foreign missions for 1904 by the editorial secretary, E. E. Strong, D. D., gives the statistics of the work as carried on by societies in the United States, Canada, Great Britain, and Ireland and continental Europe. It shows that there are 25,672 stations and outstations, 5,814 men missionaries, 6,586 women missionaries, 64,347 native laborers, 1,209,011 communicants, 120,494 additions to the churches last year, and 1,027,560 persons under instruction. The income of all the societies last year was \$16, 118,280.

### Costlier Than Champagne.

Although champagne is called the "wealthy water," there are few hotels in the country where one can pay more than \$4 a quart for it, while, on the other hand, there are hundreds of places where Burgundy is sold as high as \$35 a quart. At one hotel the menu advertises a special brand of this fine wine for \$25 a bottle. There are a number of Rhine wines which cost above \$8, and there is a big demand for them. Champagne does not improve with age as the other wines do, and this probably accounts for the difference.

### Increase of New Corporations.

It is stated that the total capitalization of new corporations formed in the United States last month is about \$48,500,000 higher than that of January, 1904.

### Australia's Wheat Crop.

Beerbohm says of the Australian wheat crop of 1904-5 that a total crop in the commonwealth of 50,000,000 bushels is considered to be certain, against 75,000,000 bushels last year.

### READS THE BOOK.

"The Road to Wellville" Pointed the Way

Down at Hot Springs, Ark., the visitors have all sorts of complaints, but it is a subject of remark that the great majority of them have some trouble with stomach and bowels. This may be partly attributed to the heavy medicines.

Naturally, under the conditions, the question of food is very prominent.

A young man states that he had suffered for nine years from stomach and bowel trouble, had two operations which did not cure, and was at last threatened with appendicitis.

He went to Hot Springs for rheumatism and his stomach trouble got worse. One day at breakfast the waiter, knowing his condition, suggested he try Grape-Nuts and cream, which he did, and found the food agreed with him perfectly.

After the second day he began to sleep peacefully at night, different than he had for years. The perfect digestion of the food quieted his nervous system and made sleep possible.

"He says: 'The next morning I was astonished to find my condition of constipation had disappeared. I could not believe it true after suffering for so many years; then I took more interest in the food, read the little book 'The Road to Wellville,' and started following the simple directions. 'I have met with such results that in the last five weeks I have gained eight pounds in spite of hot baths which take away the flesh from anyone.'"

"A friend of mine has been entirely cured of a bad case of indigestion and stomach trouble by using Grape-Nuts Food and cream alone for breakfast. 'There is one thing in particular—I have noticed a great change in my mental condition. Formerly I could hardly remember anything, and now the mind seems unusually acute and retentive. I can memorize practically anything I desire.' Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich."

## Our Daughters' Callers.

By Elizabeth Knight Tompkins.

FROM babyhood my daughters should be prepared for a young womanhood without any but nominal chaperonage. Before their babyhood was over, I am sure I should discover whether they were to be trusted, and, once satisfied, I should give them every opportunity to lead their individual lives, I should wish them to be themselves, not copies of myself.

I do not know which is the worse alternative, that parents should be pushed into the background, that they should be banished to the dining room, to stiff chairs and high lights; or that daughters should be forced to receive their friends in a common sitting room. I should feel that I had deprived my daughters of one of the dearest delights of youth, that I had taken from them one of the most valuable sources of education. Parents are often positively cruel in this matter; sometimes because they have forgotten their own youth—if they ever were young, as one doubts with some parents. One often sees kindly but obtuse parents sitting up and entertaining their daughter's friend, when both the daughter and the friend are sitting on the edge of their chairs quivering with impatience.

To some parents this desire to be alone means something reprehensible. Of course it may, but in many cases it is the most innocent of pleasures, the delight lying wholly in the exchange of long, long thoughts; in an inward, unrevealed excitement at approaching big forces imperfectly understood; at straying over the border of childhood into the world of men and women. Often the most definite sensation the girl is experiencing is wondering awe that she is at last a real young lady and talking as such with a real young man. She cannot pinch herself into realizing that the miracle has actually happened, and, figuratively speaking, expects momentarily her long tailed gown to shrink to the calves of her legs, her twist of hair to slide down into a pigtail.

The same parents who have no understanding of the possibilities, the innocent possibilities, in the relations of girls and young men, have no knowledge of the educating influence of such relations. A woman is always incomplete who has not come into close touch with men on the mental side; there are always forces and facts that she never grasps; she lacks a certain sort of personal importance; one misses in her the self-confidence that comes from the consciousness of being able to swing an interview or a relation with a man. If marriages are to be successful, it is absolutely necessary that a girl should have a chance to know men well beforehand—not only the particular man she marries, but others, also, that she may have the means of comparing, that she may have standards by which to judge.—Good Housekeeping.

### THE BARBER'S TOOLS.

Most of Them the Journeyman Owns, But the Boss Provides the Clippers.

"The tools that he uses," said an expert barber, "the barber personally owns; that is, all excepting the clippers."

"His razors and his shears and his combs and brushes are his own. Sometimes he does have also a set of clippers of his own; but commonly the clippers belong to the shop."

In the first place the razors, shears, combs and brushes are essential tools, which the barber must have wherever he works, and the barber prefers his own, and he gets tools that suit him and that he can work with to advantage. But clippers have not the individuality that razors or shears may possess with relation of their owner.

"And then, clippers being less commonly used than shears, a barber does not require a set for his constant individual use. In a shop where a number of men are employed, one set of three clippers will actually serve the requirements of three barbers, and that is the common allotment."

"Clippers cost, say about \$4 a pair; so that a six chair equipment of two sets, or six pairs of clippers, costs \$24."

"But the clippers are a nice tool, for all that. They must be made of the very best of steel, and be perfectly made and finished, and to do their

work well they must, besides, be very nicely adjusted. Originally designed more especially for cutting hair close, clippers are now used as an auxiliary tool; for the shade close cutting from the neck to the base of the head, and for clipping close the hair growing on the neck instead of shaving there as once was commonly done; the close clip there giving a much softer and more harmonious and finished effect below the head than did the bare neck shaved with a razor."—New York Sun.

### A Cemetery for Unknowns.

The island of Heligoland is surrounded by a great number of treacherous rocks and cliffs, and every year witnesses the stranding of many a fishing boat or sailing vessel. A cemetery has now been created in the neighborhood of the great dunes, where the bodies of fishermen and sailors washed ashore and their last resting place. A simple iron cross stands on every grave, and whenever the body has been identified the cross bears the name of the dead. In most cases, however, such an identification is impossible.

The island of Ceylon, off the coast of India, is one of the largest graphite mining countries in the world. Large deposits of graphite are also being exploited in Siberia, chiefly in the neighborhood of Irkutsk, on Lake Baikal.

One hundred and ninety-four memorials to Bismarck have been erected in Germany.

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## DANGERS TO BE AVOIDED IN FEBRUARY.



As much sleep as possible should be obtained in the forepart of the night.

**Catarrh of Head.**

Mr. Frank Cobb, 175 Summit Street, Deering, Me., writes: "I was troubled with catarrh in my head. I wrote to Dr. Hartman for advice and he prescribed Peruna."

"I took it and am happy to say it helped me at once. I feel better than I have for years."

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Mr. J. Ed. O'Brien, Pres. American Pilot Ass'n, Pensacola, Fla., writes: "I heartily give my endorsement to Peruna as an effective cure for catarrh and bronchial trouble."

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Frank Battle, Jr., 111 N. Market St., Nashville, Tenn., writes: "Peruna has cured me of chronic bronchitis."

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**Sunshine.**

The nights being long and the days short, as much sunshine as possible should be let into the house during the day.

**Clothing.**

The head should be kept cool at all times. The feet should be kept warm and dry, and night.

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## ALABAMA STATE EVENTS.

Items of Interest Gathered as They Transpire Over the Entire State.

### Young Woman Leaves Baby.

Mobile, Ala.—Thursday afternoon a well dressed young woman arrived here on the northbound Louisville and Nashville train. She went to a boarding house. She stated she was from New Orleans, and asked for and paid for a room. She placed her babe on a bed and requested that it be looked after until she could make some purchases. Late that afternoon she had failed to return. The babe began crying, and on entering the room and examining the child a paper was found pinned on its breast, the word "Martha" written thereon. A piece of wrapping paper on the bed showed the name Hattiesburg, Miss. The woman is thought to have left the city. The police department was notified and a search for the woman was made to no avail.

### Colored Family's Troubles.

Girard, Ala.—A colored preacher named Delenger had a lively time with his wife and her people last night and considerable excitement was caused in that part of Girard. His wife rushed into F. C. Stagg's store and asked the people there to telephone for an officer, as her husband was killing her. The message had hardly been sent before in came the husband himself limping badly and with a stick in his hand, which he declared was for protection. He said that his wife and whole family were after him, including his mother-in-law, and that in the melee some one struck him on the leg. He, too, was looking for an officer.

### Increases Stock.

Birmingham, Ala.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the American Trust and Savings Bank the proposed increase of \$100,000 in the capital stock of the institution was ratified and the committee authorized to proportion the new issue of stock among those who had applied for the same. It is to be sold at \$150 per share. The capital stock of this institution now will be \$200,000. In addition to its capital the American Trust has a surplus of \$75,000.

### Work of Incendiary.

Gadsden, Ala.—Fire destroyed the drug store of Adams-Nowlin Drug Company in Alabama City at 2 o'clock Saturday morning. The fire was of incendiary origin and originated in front of the store. The entire stock is a complete loss, also the building.

Adams-Nowlin Drug Company place their loss at \$5,000; insurance, \$2,250. The building belonged to the Dwight Manufacturing Company, on which the loss was \$1,500, fully insured. Dr. W. H. Aton lost his library.

The large store of Frank & Hagedorn, adjoining, narrowly escaped destruction, catching fire several times.

### Drugged and Robbed.

Anniston, Ala.—A white man named Rutledge reported at police headquarters that he had been drugged and robbed by two white men, whom he did not know, and had only a faint recollection as to their description.

Rutledge came to Anniston en route from his home near Boaz to Temple, Ga. He had a friend he was to meet at Adherl's restaurant and proceeded to the depot to take the train to Temple. This friend did not show up as expected and he encountered two strangers, who invited him to have a drink. He does not remember much else than that he found himself at the depot with his pocketbook missing. He said that he had \$13 in the book, all he possessed.

### Bomar in Jacksonville.

Birmingham, Ala.—Word has been received here from Dr. R. J. Willingham, corresponding secretary of the Baptist foreign mission board that Dr. E. D. Bomar has been located in Jacksonville, Fla., where he is very ill. Friends have gone to his assistance.

### Sixteen Cars Wrecked.

Scottsboro, Ala.—A freight wreck at Limrock, six miles west of Scottsboro, at an early hour Thursday morning resulted in the derailing of sixteen cars and tearing up of the tracks of the Southern railway for a distance of 100 yards. All trains on this end of the road are delayed from ten to twelve hours. No one killed. No. 35, westbound passenger train, used the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis tracks to Decker via Elora and Huntsville. No mail at this place for eighteen hours. The wreck was caused by a broken flange on one of the freight cars.

### Injured in Runaway.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—News has been received here of a very serious accident which has befallen H. H. Reid, who resides some miles north of Tuscaloosa. While en route to Tuscaloosa Mr. Reid's horse became frightened and before he could be gotten under control the buggy was torn into splinters. His left arm was badly broken and his body badly bruised, but it is not thought that the accident will prove fatal.

### Shot in a Fray.

Birmingham, Ala.—Helen-Bess, the ore mining camp across the mountain from Lakeview, was the scene of a lively scrap Thursday afternoon about 4 o'clock, exaggerated reports of which reached Birmingham and caused considerable excitement.

A telephone message was received at the sheriff's office to the effect that four men had been shot and severely wounded and that the negroes and white men were up in arms against each other. Four deputy sheriffs were sent to the mines at once, but they found comparatively little trouble over there.

A negro named Homer Chester was shot in the back of the neck and badly wounded by W. B. Brittain, a white man, who fired in order to prevent the negro from cutting him and his father-in-law, who were standing together.

The negro was drunk and was chasing an old white man named Bellinger around with a knife. John Renfro, another white man, and it seems that they had a grudge against Bellinger. They went to his house with the avowed purpose of "doing" him. The old man rose to the emergency and knocked Renfro down, breaking his nose, but he had no weapon with which to defend himself against the negro. Bellinger ran between Brittain and his father-in-law, and the negro cut at him as he did so. He missed Bellinger, and in his excitement commenced cutting at Mr. Brittain, who drew a pistol and shot the negro.

### Jury Justifies the Deed.

Jacksonville, Ala.—Owen Loadholtz was ordered released from jail by the coroner, who conducted an inquest over the body of Miss Mary Brown. The young woman was killed and her mother seriously and probably fatally wounded by Loadholtz in a shooting affray in a justice court Monday. Loadholtz had been brought into court upon criminal charges by Miss Brown. She was accompanied by her mother, and when the court announced a postponement of the case mother and daughter began firing on Loadholtz. He returned the fire, killing the young woman and wounding her mother. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide.

### Train Robbers at Work.

Montgomery, Ala.—Thieves, who concealed themselves in cars of an outgoing freight train of the Central of Georgia railroad, threw considerable freight off the train and alighted with it as the cars were passing through Highland Park about midnight.

The railroad section foreman, coming upon the thieves as they were about to carry off their booty, was fired upon.

A telephone message was sent to police headquarters, and Police Captain W. H. Taylor with a squad of mounted officers hurried to Highland Park to pursue the robbers.

### Pipe Works Exempted from Taxes.

Gadsden, Ala.—At the session of the county commissioners the pipe works plant of the Coosa Pipe and Foundry Company, which is now erecting one of the largest pipe plants in the south in this city, was exempted from taxation for a period of five years. The city had already exempted them from city taxes and privilege tax for the same length of time. This plant will employ 600 men when it is completed, and Gadsden is doing all in her power to foster this industry and all others that may locate here.

### Second Lieutenant Resigns.

Enterprise, Ala.—The resignation of G. W. Carlisle, second lieutenant of the Enterprise company, First Infantry, Alabama National Guard, was received by Adjutant-General W. W. Brandon. General Brandon immediately ordered an election to be held.

### A Runaway Marriage.

Girard, Ala.—Miss Emma Favors, daughter of Alderman J. W. Favors, of Columbus, and Jesse McCraney, of the same city, ran away to Girard Thursday afternoon and were married in the parsonage of the Baptist church, Rev. B. S. Raley performing the ceremony.

Centerville, Ala.—The notorious negro criminal, "Sugar Foot," who has given the officers and the convict authorities of Bibb county a great deal of trouble, was arrested in Columbus, Miss., Friday night, and Sheriff Crawford will leave tomorrow for that place to bring him back to the scene of his various crimes.

Columbus, Ga.—A party of Italian immigrants, twenty-five in number, occupying a private car, passed through this city en route from Savannah to Poley, Ala., near Andalusia. They were traveling over the Central of Georgia railway. The newcomers were thrifty-looking and seemed pleased with the idea of settling in South Alabama. Those who do not want to farm will doubtless find work to do in the timber and turpentine industries around Andalusia.

### Freight Wreck.

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### Both Acquitted.

Greenville, Ala.—The case of Katie Johnson, indicted for murder in the first degree as accomplice with her father, John Henry Johnson, to the killing of George L. Bryan on June 10, 1904, was tried in the circuit court before Judge J. C. Richardson and acquitted Thursday.

Maggie Johnson, like her sister Katie, was Friday freed of the charge of the murder of George Bryan by a jury of Butler county. After deliberating for twelve hours the jury Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock brought in a verdict of not guilty, and the second of the unfortunate sisters was free to go her way.

### Another Stove Explodes.

Gadsden, Ala.—The range of the Commercial Hotel, which exploded on account of the freezing up of the water pipes, came very near being a disastrous affair. Miss Gypsy, the youngest daughter of Mr. Robert Lewis, the proprietor, was standing near the range when it exploded, and her hands were severely scalded. The building caught fire, but was quickly extinguished.

A piece of the stove struck the kitchen safe and demolished it, while the hat rack was crushed. A piece of the range went out of the window and struck the ground seventy-five feet off. The damage was about \$200. No one was seriously hurt, which was very fortunate. Only one guest was in the dining room at the time.

### Mobile and Ohio Holds Its Annual Meeting.

Mobile, Ala.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mobile and Ohio, held in this city, elected the following directors: W. Butler Duncan, Samuel Spencer, C. C. Cuyler, Adrian Iselin, Jr., Thomas R. Jevons, Henry Hall, W. Emlin Roosevelt, E. L. Russell, C. Sidney Shepard, A. H. Stevens, Samuel Wolverton, R. D. Landford and A. W. Mackintosh.

### Strike at Dynamite Mills.

Birmingham, Ala.—The employees of the Sterling dynamite mills went on a strike Friday, declining to accept a reduction in wages. Pending the rebuilding of that portion of the plant which was demolished last week by an explosion, the company decided on a lock out in wages. The men declined to accept the reduction and quit.

### Highwaymen Held Without Bond.

Birmingham (Ala.)—Jim and John Blackstock, cousins, and Jim Lathen were Thursday remanded to jail without bond to await trial in the criminal court on the charge of highway robbery. They were given a preliminary hearing before Judge Feagin Thursday afternoon in the police court, several people who were held up and robbed testified against them and positively identifying them.

### Cold Weather Crippled Mines.

Huntsville, Ala.—The cold weather has largely crippled the coal mines operating in North Alabama and Southern Tennessee. Many of the mines are "froze up" and have been compelled to suspend operations until more favorable weather.

### Few Fires in Huntsville.

Huntsville, Ala.—The fire loss in Huntsville this winter has so far been smaller than any other winter in the last fifteen or twenty years. There has not been half a dozen destructive fires during the winter and the last blaze was on January 23d, when a small residence was burned.

### Long Run Around.

Birmingham, Ala.—A landslide occurred Friday on the main line of the Louisville and Nashville between Graces and Tacoma, necessitating the running of a number of through south-bound Louisville and Nashville trains via Bessemer. The distance around the loop is about seventy-five miles, while the gap cut out by the slide was only ten miles.

### Mrs. Leach Very Ill.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.—Mrs. Elizabeth Flitts Leach, sister of J. H. Flitts, of this city, is very desperately ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. K. Kirkham, on Third street and Twenty-second avenue.

### Knee Cap Broken.

Calvert, Ala.—Mr. John Hurley, an employee of the Southern railway, met with a serious accident at Calvert, Ala., on the Mobile-Selma division, on Thursday. While walking on top of a freight car he fell, breaking his right knee cap. He remained on top of the car until he was able to signal and have the train stop. He was brought to Mobile that night, given attention and taken to an infirmary. His injury is serious and painful.

### Will Spend \$1,000,000.

Birmingham, Ala.—Plans, contemplating the expenditure of \$1,000,000 in improving its properties in Alabama this year, have been formulated by the Tennessee company.

These improvements will be made: 1. In the coal mines. 2. In the furnaces. 3. In the steel plant.

In developing the coal mines the plans provide for the expenditure of \$200,000.

In developing the furnaces, \$200,000. The balance, amounting to \$600,000, will be used in enlarging and improving the steel plant.

These plans will be submitted to the Tennessee company's directors at the next meeting, when, it is confidently expected, they will be approved.

All these improvements will, it is believed, be completed before January 1, 1906.

### Immigrants Locating in Huntsville.

Huntsville, Ala.—Immigration agents state that an unusually large number of northern farmers have bought homes in this locality recently. Some party comes in from the north every few days looking for desirable homes and they say that more are coming later on in the season.

### To Build New Laboratory.

Birmingham, Ala.—The committee on endowment for Howard College has decided to take immediate steps to raise \$15,000 to erect a new building to be used for physical and chemical laboratories and a library and make other improvements on the old buildings. The new structure will cost \$200,000.

### Alabama Postmasters.

Washington, D. C.—Postmasters appointed: Asa, Geneva county, Daniel D. Laird; Gordonsville, Lowndes county, William J. Dunklin, Jr.; India, Bullock county, Eliza A. Dasinger; Westmoreland, Limestone county, Mrs. Tom D. Wilkinson. Postoffice established at Ino, Coffee county, with William T. Jackson as postmaster.

### Wants a Military Company.

Jasper, Ala.—Captain L. M. Smith, commanding Company M, Alabama National Guard, has received a petition signed by twenty-five or thirty citizens of Carbon Hill, in which a request is made to have a detachment of the company organized at that place.

### School Girl Elopes.

Jacksonville, Ala.—A piece of romance, as sudden as it was surprising, took place, to the general shock of Jacksonville society Thursday afternoon, when Miss Neale Loneran, a student at the State Normal School, eloped with Mr. Dave Bell, of Meridian, Miss., formerly of this place.

### Hanged in Louisiana.

Alexandria, La.—Tom Underwood, aged 51, paid the extreme penalty of the law for the killing of Policeman Aymond while trying to arrest Underwood for killing the negro woman, Iretta Parker. The trap was sprung out at 12:25, and Underwood's neck was broken.

### Will Recover Court House.

Gadsden, Ala.—Otto Agricola has secured the contract for the recovering of the court house at Guntersville. There were several bidders, but Mr. Agricola secured the contract over all competitors, and the work will be done just as soon as the weather will permit.

### Cruiser Galveston in Commission.

Norfolk, Va.—The United States protected cruiser Galveston was placed in commission here.

### Another Big Diamond Found.

Johannesburg, A.—A diamond weighing 234 carats has been discovered in the vicinity of the place where the largest diamond ever unearthed was recently found.

### Increase of Stock.

Carbon Hill, Ala.—The Carbon Hill Coal Company, of Carbon Hill, reported an increase of its capital stock from \$25,000 to \$50,000. This change was made January 2. The incorporators of the company are Augustus A. Pearce, Joseph M. Pearce and Lee Stone.

### Purchases Fort Payne Lime Kiln.

Fort Payne, Ala.—T. Ladd, of Atlanta, has purchased the lime kiln plant at Fort Payne and will put it in operation at once. Mr. Ladd was formerly with the Ladd Lime company at Atlanta and has splendid backing in his new enterprise.

### After the Pie Bitters.

Birmingham, Ala.—The order from Washington Friday that no postoffice official should serve on any political committee of the state is expected to be followed by another more sweeping, that no Federal officer in the state can serve in a similar capacity.

### Mine Fires.

Birmingham, Ala.—Fire has been raging in the Sumter coal mines of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company, in the Blue Creek region, near Blocton, since Sunday, and all efforts to extinguish the flames have up to now been ineffectual. The mines are among the finest in the state, and the damage will reach in the thousands of dollars.

## A VERY HEAVY FIRE.

Eight Buildings—a Million Dollars in Ruins at Indianapolis by Fire.

### THE BLAZE WAS SPECTACULAR.

Repeated Explosions Send Up Burning Embers and Many Spectators Narrowly Escape from Walls.

Indianapolis, Ind.—For four hours Sunday night the wholesale district bounded by Georgia and Meridian streets, Jackson Place and the union depot sheds was menaced by a fire which started in the wholesale warehouses of the Fahney & McCrea Millinery Company. At 9:30 o'clock three general alarms brought into action every department in the city and suburbs. When the fire was brought under control eight buildings, among which were three hotels, had been completely destroyed, causing a loss estimated at \$1,000,000. One fireman was hurt by falling walls.

Fire brands as large as hen eggs fell in a perfect storm over the business portion of the city, and on every building were stationed companies of men equipped with fire-fighting apparatus. Their united efforts succeeded in preventing a general conflagration. In the A. Keifer Drug Company's warehouses were many barrels of oils and explosives stored, and in the Delmetch company's wholesale house, where a season's stock of fireworks was located, several serious explosions occurred.

### Was Very Spectacular.

The fire, one of the most spectacular, was under full headway before an alarm was sounded. By the time the first company reached the scene the millinery house was almost completely gutted, and the fire had spread to the Kiefer Drug Company's building. Simultaneously the flames broke out in Jackson Place, which bounds the Fahney & McCrea building on the west, and almost instantly the flames were communicated to the St. Nicholas hotel and the Griffith Brothers' millinery house in Jackson place, and the Savoy hotel in Louisiana street.

The occupants of the hotels, many of whom had not retired, escaped without injury. Repeated explosions in the burning section sent skyward a veritable storm of burning embers which, fanned by a stiff breeze from the southwest, were carried into the retail districts, still burning as they fell upon the roofs of the principal houses.

### Eight Buildings Burned.

Within 45 minutes eight buildings in the threatened districts had been totally destroyed, and the attention of the firemen was centered in an effort to prevent the spread of the flames to the ware room of W. H. Thompson & Co., manufacturers of surgical instruments.

One of the firemen sustained a broken leg, and in the rush to escape from their perilous position near the falling walls, hundreds of spectators who thronged the space in front of the union station narrowly escaped death or serious injury.

Within a few minutes the east wall fell across Meridian street, completely blocking traffic, but no one was injured. The flames which spread across Louisiana street were communicated to the roof of the union station train sheds, and for several minutes the efforts of the firemen were entered in that direction.

### Situation Doubtful.

For half an hour it was doubtful whether or not the firemen could cope with the flames on account of a tottering wall, which threatened to crush in the building to the north, allowing the flames to spread to the warehouse of Haven & Geddes, wholesale grocers.

The following are the principal losses: Fahney & McCrea, building, \$125,000; loss on stock, \$200,000; insurance, \$250,000.

A. Kiefer Drug Company, building, \$70,000; stock, \$225,000; insurance, \$245,000.

Griffiths Bros., building, \$50,000; stock, \$150,000; insurance, \$160,000.

E. C. Delmetch Company, building, \$50,000; stock, \$40,000; insurance, \$65,000.

Sherman house, building, \$45,000; stock, \$10,000; insurance, \$35,000.

Savoy hotel, building, \$20,000; stock, \$10,000; insurance, \$15,000.

St. Charles, building, \$12,000; stock, \$10,000; insurance, \$11,000.

Muir Millinery company, building, \$5,000; stock, \$10,000; insurance, \$13,000.

Total loss, \$1,100,000.

### Mine Fire Under Control.

Bessemer, Ala.—According to reports from the Blue Creek district Saturday night the fire, which has been raging in Sumter mine for the past week, has at last been gotten under control. The flames have done a vast amount of damage and it is utterly impossible to estimate the loss. If the fire is extinguished in the next day or two, it will take at least two months to repair the interior of the mine.

### Japan Buying Locomotives.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Mitsui and Company, New York, agents of the Japanese government, placed with a local firm an order for seventy-seven locomotives, the largest purchase ever made here for locomotives by any government. An estimated cost of the locomotives is \$1,000,000. The terms of the contract requires that the locomotives shall be built as soon as possible and be delivered in lots of twelve. They will be shipped by rail to the Pacific coast, where they will be placed aboard steamships and sent direct to Korea.

### To Begin at Once.

Topeka, Kan.—It is expected that the investigation of the Standard Oil affair in Kansas will begin at once. Governor Hoch was notified that six inspectors had been ordered to work on the case. They will report their findings to Commissioner of Corporations Garfield. The state officers will aid the inspectors every way possible.

The anti-discrimination bill, which will go before the house Monday, has a good chance of being passed. This with some minor measures to be adopted will give the state complete control of the oil business.

### Tried to Poison Mrs. Stanford.

San Francisco, Cal.—A bulletin says that an attempt was made to murder Mrs. James Stanford, benefactor and wife of the founder of Leland Stanford University, in her California street mansion within the past month, by placing a poison in a bottle of mineral water. Mrs. Stanford drank three times of the mixture, but the poison had been used in such large quantity that it served as its own emetic.

Mrs. Sanford was taken violently ill. The contents of her stomach and the water left in the bottle from which she had taken three glasses, were analyzed by a chemist. Sufficient poison was found to kill a dozen persons had it been used with any judgment.

Mrs. Stanford has gone to Japan and detectives are working on the case.

### Hanged for Wife Murder.

Clarksville, Tex.—At 2:09 o'clock Friday afternoon John Reeves was hanged in the presence of a large crowd for the murder of his wife.

Previously he had admitted the murder, giving as his reason that he was drunk. The body of the woman was found buried in a field with the tongue protruding, the neck broken and marks of hands on the throat.

### Wireless for Our Islands.

San Francisco.—A representative of a wireless telegraph company is here arranging for the installation of a plant for communication with Panama by a direct coast route and by way of the East via Denver, Kansas City, Chicago, New York, Key West, Porto Rico and Cuba. Following this direct communication, it will, it is said, be perfected between this city and the Philippines, the Orient and the Hawaiian Islands. An effort is now being made to secure the sites for the necessary stations in this city or in its vicinity.

### Shooting in Saloon.

Wylam, Ala.—In what seemed to have been a general row at Wylam Saturday evening at 6 o'clock, Joe Hooper shot and probably fatally wounded Carl Buble in front of Mentz Bros' saloon. In a quarrel prior to the shooting Hooper had been badly beaten up in a three-cornered quarrel at Dave McCree's saloon, in which he, James and Fleming Vance are said to have been engaged. The men had started to Mentz Bros's saloon and were in the act of entering the front door when Hooper ran behind the counter, secured a revolver belonging to Mr. Mentz and opened fire, the bullet entering Mr. Buble's stomach and inflicting a bad wound.

Hooper was arrested by Chief of Police Walker, of Wylam, and brought to Ensley, where his wounds were attended to by Dr. E. T. Fields. He received two cuts on the head and a stab in the side. Buble was carried to the St. Vincent hospital, where an operation was performed at 11 o'clock. The bullet penetrated the gall bladder and the intestines and lodged somewhere in the bowels.

Hooper was carried to Birmingham by Deputy Sheriff Clinton Eubank and lodged in the county jail.

### New Corporations.

Birmingham, Ala.—The Burnwell Coal Company, with a capital stock of \$50,000, filed with Secretary of State E. R. McDavid, a notice of its incorporation. The incorporators are W. J. Francis, Alfred M. Stearns, George Moesta, Harry G. Francis and Charles E. Francis.

### Gen. Lew Wallace Dead.

Crawfordsville, Ind.—General Lew Wallace, author of Ben Hur, died Wednesday night at 9:10 o'clock.

### Scottsboro, Ala.—The Gutter stove

works of Bridgeport, this county, which has been shut down for a number of weeks, has been reorganized, a stock company having been formed in the last few days, known as the Gutter Stove and Range Company, with a paid up capital of \$15,000. The opening of the works, which will be operating Monday, has been somewhat delayed by the extreme cold weather.

### Caught Under Wagon Bed.

Blocton, Ala.—Jack Shaw, a farmer living four miles from town, met with a serious accident Friday night. He was driving a one-horse wagon on his way home from town and accidentally ran over the end of a log. The wagon was turned upside down, his neck was caught under one edge of the wagon body and he lay in that condition for at least ten hours. He was found by Ples Reach next morning at 6 o'clock.

Mr. Shaw is in a critical condition, but it is believed that he will recover.

### To Increase Steel Plant.

Ensley, Ala.—The plans and the cost sheets for the proposed improvements at the steel plant to aggregate something like \$200,000 have been placed in the hands of the various foremen for the construction departments. Work, it is understood, will be commenced on improvements and additions at once.

When the plans of the company are carried out, the capacity of the plant, it is understood, will be increased one-third. The present monthly output is 21,000 tons, and when the work now under contemplation is completed, the output of the plant will exceed 30,000 tons of steel per month.

### Stranger's Bad Death.

Opelika, Ala.—Last Saturday evening a stranger, giving his name as W. C. Green, went to the residence of William C. Jones and asked for lodging. He was taken suddenly ill Sunday morning and during the day had a stroke of paralysis. His speech was very incoherent, but before he became entirely delirious he told those watching him that he traveled for a New York house and was going to take a vacation. That is all he told about himself before his death Tuesday morning.

### Brothers and Sisters Elope.

Scottsboro, Ala.—A romantic wedding in which four popular young people took part occurred in Marshall, just over the Jackson county line last Wednesday. The contracting parties were Blake Harris and Miss Karr and Younger Karr and Miss Harris. A brother and sister ran away with a brother and sister and had a double wedding. They were the sons and daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Karr and Mr. and Mrs. George T. Harris.

### Shooting at Goodwater.

Goodwater, Ala.—John Ford and Tom Tucker engaged in a difficulty Saturday night about 9 o'clock on the streets of Goodwater, and both are shot four times and seriously wounded, and Ford will very likely recover.

It is said that they were both drinking and the fuss started about nothing. Ford is prominently connected and is a good citizen, and it seems that after he was shot down by Tucker he got up and emptied his gun and then beat Tucker over the head with his pistol. Tucker has been in shooting affrays before.

### Mules Run Amuck.

Greenville, Ala.—Two mules, which were hitched to a wagon, became frightened at a passing train and



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## Calais Courthouse.

The Supreme Court having affirmed the judgment of our Circuit Court in the Calais Courthouse case, there will be no branch courthouse for our county. The law under which this courthouse was established was declared unconstitutional, and this of course knocked the courthouse and jail at Pell City, St. Clair county, out also, as the courthouse and jail was built at that place under the same Act. This will work a hardship on the people of St. Clair county, as they had already built and equipped a courthouse and jail.

The wisdom of our Commissioner's Court and Probate Judge in refusing to build this courthouse and jail at Calais has saved our county untold expenses and worry and the people should feel proud that such care and precaution was exercised by this tribunal. The marked difference in this Judge and Court in our neighboring county along this line, will live long before the eyes of the people of both counties. In St. Clair county, their well equipped courthouse and jail stands now as a worthless piece of property, fit only for the occupancy of rats and bats, yet the taxes of the citizens of that county have been wasted in this way. On the other hand the Probate Judge and Commissioner's Court of Shelby county put their heads together and by the employment of able attorneys, saved Shelby county's citizens from this ignominious result. With due regard for the ideas of those citizens in these precincts, who doubtless thought, the courthouse and jail should have been built; it can now be well said that should their wishes been carried out, our county would have suffered greatly as the result. The anti-Calais courthouse faction has contended all the while that a branch courthouse in any county is an unfortunate investment for the citizens. Besides the heavy expenses of a courthouse of this kind, the continued worry and botheration proves disastrous to the welfare of the county.

While our citizens feel grateful and that in the wisdom of our authorities we were withheld from this embarrassment, yet we have a brotherly feeling for our sister county, and hope that they may be able to utilize their property in some way which will not prove it absolutely worthless to them.

We have been informed that cotton has sold at 8 cents per pound in the last few days. If this be true, this is encouraging to the farmers, and whether the advance in the price of this product is due to the efforts of the farmers or not, the effort should be strained to the utmost and ere long, no doubt, we can see the good of organization by the farmers, and it should be the watchword of every laboring man in our country to stand together.

The February term of the county court convened Monday morning, with Judge Longshore presiding. A large docket was on hand and the business of the court has rapidly progressed. Up to this date several cases have been disposed of.

A Wisconsin legislator wants a law taxing bachelors. He is unmarried himself, but he is only waiting the failure or success of his bill before he decides to beat his own tax scheme or continue to live in celibacy.

The old idea of our grandmothers that a man and wife can live jointly on less than either of them can live separately, is not suited to our present method of living.

Women in Kansas will have full citizenship in that State after this. It remains to be seen whether they will use it any less foolishly.

Cotton is going higher every day and we hope it will go back to ten cents, which it will before the first of April.

## Cotton Growers' Meet.

The Cotton Growers' Association of this county met at the Court House last Thursday afternoon. In the absence of the Chairman, W. A. Tallant, Hosea Pearson was made temporary Chairman of the meeting. On account of bad health, W. A. Tallant resigned as Chairman, and Hosea Pearson was elected permanent Chairman of the Association.

On motion of Judge A. P. Longshore, Hosea Pearson and J. S. Jackson were elected delegates to represent this county at the State Convention in Montgomery.

Only seven beats were represented at the meeting.

A. P. Longshore was elected treasurer of the Association.

The meeting adjourned to meet after the State Convention.

Quite a number of farmers attended the meeting, and everything passed off pleasantly.

## Watson's Magazine.

At last the nation is to have a magazine, printed in the highest style of the printer's art, and containing many pages of good reading matter for the family, which advocates the cause of the masses of the people. On the front cover page is to be a picture of the old liberty bell which rang out defiance to George III. The motto which appears under the bell—"Equal rights to all, special privileges to none"—indicates how different it is to be from any other magazine now published. Most of the magazines of the day have been for years filled with pictures and praise of the plunderers of the people, first one and then another, and then repeat with a little variation, but none of this will be found in the new magazine. The cause of the whole people will be plead. In addition to discussion of and information concerning the great governmental questions, the new magazine will contain family reading of a most entertaining kind and at the same time calculated to cultivate the better nature of the reader. The first number of the new magazine will be the March number, and according to custom will be mailed out the latter part of the month previous—about February 25. It will contain 128 pages, in addition to the advertising pages. The March number of Tom Watson's Magazine, which is the new magazine to which we have been referring, will contain the following:

Politics by Hon. Thos. E. Watson: The Political Situation—An Open Letter to W. J. B.—To President Roosevelt—The Ship Subsidy—Hears, the Myth—Mr. Bryan's Race in Nebraska—Let the Greenbacks Alone!

Serial: "The Heritage of Max Fair," by Vincent Harper, a dramatic and exciting novel, begins in this number.

Novelette: "The House in the Jungle," by St. Clair Beall, a mysterious and alluring tale, ending in a most unexpected climax.

Poems by Edwin Markham, Ella Wheeler Wilcox and others.

Short Stories by Will N. Harben, H. B. Marriott Watson, Robert Barr, Chauncey C. Hotchkiss, Frank Saville and Walter E. Grogan.

Special Articles by Dr. John H. Girdner, W. J. Ghent and Theodore Dreiser.

Other Contributors: Wallace Irwin, Tom P. Morgan and Alex. Ricketts—Missouri World.

The attempt that is being made to transpire this great nation into a debt collection agency for the benefit of European money lenders, should be denounced by every self-respecting citizen with all the vehemence that he is capable of. While a New York editor will lick the boots of any capitalist and obey the slightest hint that emanates from a bank, there ought to be some self respect among editors outside of the horrible, thieving confines of Wall street, who could protest without losing their jobs. One of the New York editorial monkeys says: "We must enforce Santo Domingo to pay her debts, not only to American citizens, but to the citizens of any country who have valid claims. The president should be brushing the cobwebs off the big stick that for some time has stood unused behind the door." No patriotic man wants too see a president of the United States transformed into the likeness of a Chicago constable with a judgment and a levy of justices court in his hand.—Independent.

## Outdoing the Devil.

There is nothing more contemptible in this wide, wide world than an editor of a plutocratic daily paper. In a fair march, he could lie to beat the devil any time and when it came to a test of endurance the devil would stand no show at all. Here is the Boston Herald talking about the "late Populist craze for the unlimited issue of greenbacks." The Herald and others of that kind have been telling that lie, over and over for the last 20 years. In fact it began long before the People's Party came into existence and after that it only reiterated it more often and more emphatically. It is at it yet. The devil would have worn himself out long ago if he attempted that job. The Herald knew when it first began telling that lie, and it knows now, that no Populist, and for that matter, no one else ever advocated the "unlimited" issue of greenbacks. What the Herald wants is a practical unlimited issue of bank notes, the only limitations to be put upon such notes is to be put there by the bankers themselves.—The Independent.

## The Whole Land Polluted.

From the Nebraska Independent.

The daily papers are more and more given over to "yellow journalism." Even those dailies that have been the most vehement in denunciation of that kind of literature, have of late been devoting their columns unreservedly to it. A glance over the columns of these papers for the last few weeks, shows column after column devoted to scandals that would, in the days of decent journalism, have been disposed of in a few paragraphs. There was the Nan Patterson murder trial, the Dr. Irvine church scandal, the Chadwick case, and now comes the worst of all, the Hoch bigamy scandal. This last case, where a man married widow after widow, only to desert them and marry another, has been exploited to the fullest extent, the New York and Chicago papers devoting whole pages to it.

The reading portion of the public is being fed on an unending flow of crime and scandal. All the dailies have an unlimited number of columns to devote to such matter as that, but if some student or scholar sent them an article on the fundamental things of life and government, it would be chucked in the waste basket—there would be no room for it. The thing that threatens good government more than any other thing in these United States is the debasement and degradation of the daily press. It hangs over the whole nation like a dark cloud, and every morning when the contents is spilled on the earth, it sends forth a smell, and the whole land is polluted.

Tom Watson's Magazine will be printed Saturday in New York and will be mailed out about the first of March. If you want to subscribe for this magazine send your order to the Advocate office. \$1.00 will get this magazine for twelve months.

An egg famine is the latest announcement. The barn stormers may look for a better season.

The wheat crop has been damaged by the recent cold weather.

## Reflections of a Bachelor.

FROM THE NEW YORK PRESS  
Girls catch love affairs just the way children to the whooping cough.

Looking down on people, generally is nothing but looking up on yourself.

A woman is at peace with herself when she is at war with a neighbor.

Having imagination is when a man and a girl think they could not live without each other.

It is so expensive being married a man could pay a bachelor tax on all his income and be better off.

A woman gets very suspicious of her husband when he goes a long time without doing anything that looks suspicious.

A woman always argues on both sides of a thing her husband is going to do, so that which ever way it comes out she can say, "I told you so."

When a girl acts as if she were tied to the end of a comet and tries to look as if she were only buttoning her gloves, most likely she is just become engaged.

## Mass Meeting at Harpersville.

Harpersville, Ala., Feb. 13th.

There were a large number of the farmers of beat 10 met in mass meeting Saturday evening by request of Commissioner R. R. Pool. C. H. Forey was elected Chairman and R. B. Posey Secretary and Treasurer.

After the object of the meeting was explained by the Chairman, about forty names were enrolled. G. W. Green, R. H. Glaze and J. R. Bird, Sr., were elected delegates to the convention at Columbiana Feb. 16th.

E. V. Caldwell, G. W. Green, R. T. White, G. W. Goswick and J. R. Baker were appointed as a committee on acreage, who will make a report at next meeting.

On motion, the meeting adjourned to meet Saturday evening, the 18th, at 2 o'clock.

C. H. Forey, Chairman.  
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P. S.—Our farmers seem very much determined to stand by each other, and seem to realize that now is the time for them to act. Where there is unity there is strength. Every other organization from the 24 lawyer down to the boot-black is organized, and why not the farmer.  
R. B. P.

## From Louisiana.

Editor Advocate:—Please allow me space in your paper to tell the people of Shelby county something about this part of Louisiana. This is a very good country, it is better for a poor man than Shelby is, because land is cheap; land runs from two to ten dollars per acre; this is a sandy country. I believe a man can make twice as much here as he can there; there is no rock here to kill birds with. A man can get something for his work here, he can get from \$1.00 to \$3.50 per day; I have been working for some time at \$1.20 per day, and that beats from 50 to 75 cents a day back there. We are all well and well satisfied. We have plenty of water here; we live in one mile of Saline and about 200 yards from the railroad.

BEN S. HARPER.  
Saline, La., Feb. 10th, 1905.

## Death in the Kingdom.

Died, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis in the Kingdom, their little daughter, Ellen, aged 21 months. After two week's illness with all the care and attention of one of our best physicians, the little one died, leaving father and mother to weep, but amid weeping and lamenting for loved ones, we must content ourselves with the will of God being done and live in that way, that while it can not come to us by the grace of God we can go to it. Asking praying people to remember that home in their supplications. Suffer little children to come unto me, for as such is the Kingdom of Heaven.

REV. J. A. DAVIS.

When he is a drinking man it is a sign his wife thinks his health needs it.

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The New Jersey authorities have recommended voice culture and instrumental music as one of the best means of reform. Some doctors of note in New York are also recommending music as a cure for disease. The papers do not say that they "are holding themselves out" to do that, but it is evident that the Gage county Solon who introduced the anti-Christian science bill in the Nebraska legislature, had better be looking after those fellows down east. He ought to provide some way to make those cranks down there stick to drugs and patent medicines. Using music as a medicine is certainly as bad as any faith cure.—Nebraska Independent.

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11:00am	5:50pm	Seale	4:50pm	2:00pm
5:30pm	10:00am	Meridian	6:00pm	10:55pm
8:40am	1:00pm	Albany	1:00pm	8:30pm
11:00pm	1:00pm	Ar. Knoxville	2:10pm	2:10pm
5:40pm	1:00pm	Ar. Bristol	3:40pm	3:40pm
9:15pm	1:00pm	Ar. Asheville	1:15pm	1:15pm
1:00pm	1:00pm	Ar. Lynchburg	3:00pm	3:00pm
5:55pm	1:00pm	Ar. Wash. City	10:00pm	10:00pm
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Nos. 22 and 21 carry Pullman sleeping cars between Mobile and Birmingham, Birmingham and New York. Cafe cars serve meals en route.

No. 22	No. 16	STATIONS.	No. 13	No. 21
7:30am	1:00pm	Tuscaloosa	11:30pm	7:30am
9:10am	1:00pm	Albany	1:00pm	7:30am
10:30am	1:00pm	Greensboro	6:40pm	6:40pm
11:40am	1:00pm	Seale	11:40pm	4:30pm

Nos. 12 and 11 carry Pullman sleeping cars between Mobile and Birmingham, Birmingham and New York. Cafe cars serve meals en route.

No. 12	No. 11	STATIONS.	No. 13	No. 21
7:30pm	1:00pm	Ar. New York	4:50pm	8:10pm
11:40pm	1:00pm	Ar. New York	4:50pm	8:10pm
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Atlanta.....	8.20am	11.55am	11.20pm	5.30am
STATIONS.	No. #35	No. #37	No. #97	No. #35

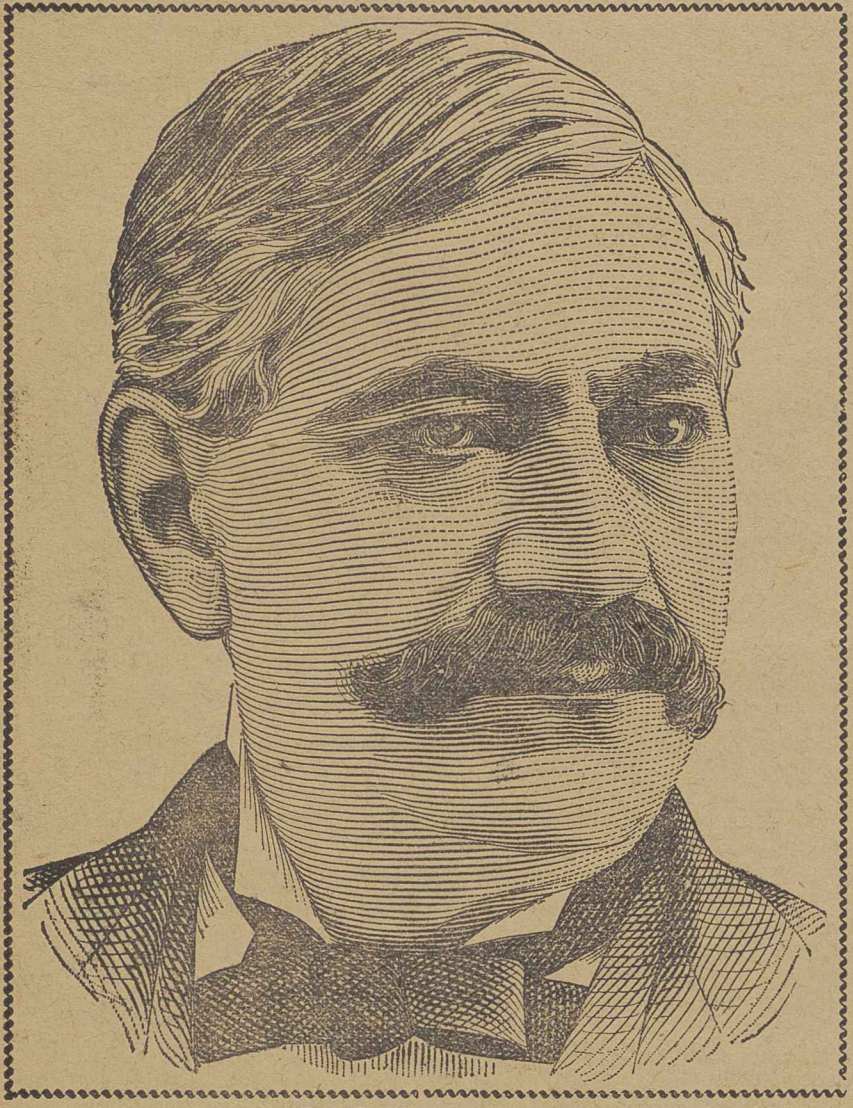






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**CONSUMPTION**

## Trades Unions in Japan

By the Late Lafcadio Hearn.

**L**ET us suppose, for instance, that you wish to have a good house built. As a general rule you will apply to a master carpenter. You cannot select and hire workmen; guild regulations forbid. You can only make your contract, and the master carpenter, when his plans have been approved, will undertake all the rest—purchase and transport of material; hire of carpenters, plasterers, tilers, matmakers, screenfitters, brass-workers, stonecutters, locksmiths and glaziers. For each master carpenter represents much more than his own craft guild. He has his clients in every trade related to house-building and house-furnishing, and you must not dream of trying to interfere with his claims and privileges.

He builds your home according to contract, but that is only the beginning of the relation. You have really made with him an agreement which you must not break, without good and sufficient reason, for the rest of your life. What ever afterward may happen to any part of your house—wall, floor, ceiling, roof, foundation—you must arrange for repairs with him, never with anybody else. Should the roof leak, for instance, you must not send for the nearest tiler or tinsmith; if the plaster cracks, you must not send for a plasterer.

The man who built your house holds himself responsible for its condition, and he is jealous of that responsibility. None but he has the right to send for the plasterer, the roofer, the tinsmith.—From "Japan; An Attempt at Interpretation."

## Li Up to Your Name

By J. M. Crothers.

**N**OT only do a man's friends, but particularly his enemies, insist that he shall live up to his name. It is a wholesome discipline. In a new country two or three houses set down in a howling wilderness are denominated a city. It is a mere name at first, but if all goes well, other metropolitan features are added in due time. I remember a most interesting visit which I once made to a university in a new commonwealth. The university consisted of a board of regents, an unfenced bit of prairie for a "campus," a president (who was also professor of the arts and sciences), a janitor, and two unfinished buildings. A number of the village children took courses, which, if persisted in for a number of years, might lead to what is usually termed the higher education. One student from out of town dwelt in solitary state in the dormitory. The president met me with great cordiality, and after showing me "the plant," introduced me to the student. It was evident that they were on terms of great intimacy, and that discipline in the university was an easy matter, owing to the fact that the student body was homogeneous.

Now it would be easy for one under such circumstances to laugh at what seemed mere pretentiousness. "It was nothing more than a small school; why not call it that and be done with it?" The reason for not doing so was that it aimed at being a university. Its name was a declaration of purpose. "Dispire not the day of small things." The small things may be very real things; and then they have a trick of growing big before you know it.—Atlantic.

### A Useful Hint.

Coal that is kept in a dry and airy place will burn much longer than that which is kept in a close cellar with no ventilation. When coal is kept in an airless place it gets rid of its gas and the absence of this renders it less powerful and more wasteful when burned.

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As the pedestrian passed the deserted lot seven masked men sprang out and began pummeling him unmercifully.

"Help! help!" shouted the pedestrian. "What are you trying to do to me?"

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**LOW EXCURSION RATES.** Mobile and New Orleans account Mardi Gras Celebration, March 27, 1905. On account of the above occasion the Southern Railway will sell tickets to each of the above points at the very low rate of one fare plus 25 cents for the round trip. Tickets will be sold March 1st to 6th inclusive, also for trains scheduled to arrive at destination before noon of the day with final limit returning March 11th, 1905. The final limit may be extended until March 25th by depositing ticket with joint agent and upon payment of a fee of 50 cents.

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A Subject Much Discussed at Women's Clubs—The Future of a Country Depends on the Health of Its Women.



Mrs. T. C. Willadsen Miss Mattie Henry

At the New York State Assembly of Mothers, a prominent New York doctor told the 500 women present that healthy American women were so rare as to be almost extinct.

This seems to be a sweeping statement of the condition of American women. Yet how many do you know who are perfectly well and do not have some trouble arising from a derangement of the female organism which manifests itself in headaches, backaches, nervousness, that bearing-down feeling, painful or irregular menstruation, leucorrhoea, displacement of the uterus, ovarian trouble, indigestion or sleeplessness? There is a tried and true remedy for all these ailments. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has restored more American women to health than all other remedies in the world. It regulates, strengthens and cures diseases of the female organism as nothing else can. For thirty years it has been curing the worst forms of female complaints.

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Miss Mattie Henry, Vice-President of Danville Art Club, 429 Green Street, Danville, Va., writes:

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When women are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhoea, displacement or ulceration of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, bloating, (or flatulency), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues, and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. No other medicine in the world has received such unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles. Refuse to buy any other medicine, for you need the best.

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